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**AMHERST**

New Hampshire

**1972**

## OFFICE HOURS of TOWN OFFICERS

### Selectmen

Town Hall, Monday Evenings, 7:30 to 9:00 p. m.

### Selectmen's Secretary

Town Hall: Monday thru Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### Town Clerk

Town Hall: Monday thru Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Monday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00 p. m.

### Tax Collector

Town Hall: Monday, Wednesday and Friday

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Monday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00.

### Zoning Administrative Official

Town Hall: Monday, Wednesday and Friday

9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Monday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

### General Information

Town Office Telephones 673-6041 and 6048

Town Clerk

Tax Collector

Zoning Administrator

Selectmen

Fire Chief 673-2934

Road Agent 673-1293

Highway Department 673-2317

Police Department 673-4900

### Dump Hours — Winter:

Open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday from 8:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m.

### Summer — July, August, September:

Monday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday, 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

For Police or Any Emergency 673-1414

To Report a Fire 673-3131

# ANNUAL REPORTS

*of the*

## Town Officers

*of*

## Amherst, N. H.

*for the*

*Year Ending December 31, 1972*

*Also*

## Officers of School District

*Year Ending June 30, 1972*

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## TOWN OFFICERS — 1972

Population — 5700 — June 1972

*Moderator*

M. A. Wight, Jr.

*Selectmen*

Elliot P. Lyon 1973

John Enright 1974 Edward Masten 1975  
Barbara H. Landry, Secretary

*Town Clerk*

Bernice G. Boothroyd

*Tax Collector*

Barbara H. Landry

*Town Treasurer*

Marion M. Sortevik

*Road Agent*

Richard G. Crocker

*Auditors*

Orson H. Bragdon

Stephen Noble

*Road Commissioners*

Everett Leach 1973 Harold C. Warner 1974 Meric Arnold 1975

*Supervisors of Check List*

Audrey Spalding '74 Hazel Henderson '76 Robert A. Wishart '78

*Town Council*

William R. Drescher

*Trustees of Trust Funds*

Edward A. Conti '73 David T. Ramsay '74 Harry R. Mitiguy '75

*Library Trustees*

Benjamin G. Bundy 1973

Elizabeth Lyle 1973

Kathleen C. Ware 1974

Lucy Ramsay 1974

E. Daniel Johnson 1975

Ann Keefe 1975

*Ways and Means Committee*

Robert Lown, Chairman

Thomas Head

John Melrose, Sr.

Elizabeth Puddington

Marian Williston

David Hall

Joseph Harrison, III

*Police Department*  
James F. Tinker, Jr., Chief  
John Bennett, Sgt.

Forrest Hall  
Clinton D. Simmons  
John T. Osborn, Jr.  
Joann Osborn  
\*For School Duty

Albert Junkins  
Arnold Dickinson  
John W. Quinlan  
Alice Wagner

Richard D. Lefebvre  
Robert A. Manning  
David L. Watson  
Louise Simmons, Resigned

*Board of Adjustment*  
Roger Brown, Chairman 1973

Howard Boothroyd 1974  
Thomas Carson 1976

Russell Steeves, Secretary 1975  
Arnold Dickinson 1977

*Superintendent Town Hall Building*  
Charles A. Reynolds Ernest Law

*Superintendent Brick School Building*  
John E. Bowler

*Fire Wards*  
Charles E. Duval John F. Hanlon Richard G. Crocker

*Dog Officer* Police Department *Fire Chief* David C. Hanlon

*Industrial Advisory Committee*  
H. Ronald Berlack, Chairman

Joseph Carlozzi Ronald George  
William Drescher Joseph Harrison, III

*Representatives to the General Court*  
Senator Frederick Porter

Rep. Orson H. Bragdon Rep. Kenneth W. Spalding  
George W. Brown

*Nashua Regional Planning Commission*  
Elizabeth Searles 1974 Aaron Enoch 1973

*Highway Safety Committee*  
Roy E. Maston, Chairman

John Enright Richard G. Crocker Paul Dudley  
James F. Tinker, Chief of Police

*Independence Day Committee*  
William Johnson, Chairman

Robert Niedrach Barbara Malonev  
Clark Stewart MaryLou Houck

*Tree Committee*

Ronald Berlack

Eugene Roe

Jerry Sessler

*Planning Board*

Robert Jackson 1973

James Enright 1976

Oliver Merrill 1974

Charles H. Hood 1976

Chester McGrath, Chairman 1975

E. Gordon Pullar 1977

Ex-Officio -- Edward Masten, Selectman

*Civil Defense*

Roy E. Maston

*Administrative Official*

Maxwell MacPherson

*Cemetery Trustees*

Edward J. Marchildon, Chairman

David T. Ramsay

Elliot P. Lyon, Sr.

*Health Officer*

Dr. James C. Starke

*Memorial Day Committee*

Frederick Simmons, Chairman

Wilna Chandley

John Snow

Senator Frederick Porter

John Stevens

*Recreation Commission*

Ann G. Hopkins 1973

William Johnson 1974

Suzanne Blakeman 1975

Nancy Cook, Chairman 1974

Peter George 1975

*Conservation Commission*

Alice E. Arnold 1973

Elizabeth G. Hall 1975

Chester Hall 1973

Charles Bacon 1975

Donald Eger 1974

Herbert Harding 1975

Harry R. Mitiguy, Chairman 1974

*Historic District Commission*

Edward Houck, Chairman 1974

Beverly Eger 1973

Ronald Nadeau 1973

Dr. Harry Mueller 1973

Charles Hood 1974

Ex-Officio -- John Enright, Selectman

*Air Pollution Committee*

Joseph Harrison, III, Chairman

Peter Dunlap

Meric Arnold

Elizabeth Lyle

John G. Bachman

John A. Melrose, Jr.

**TOWN WARRANT**  
**The State of New Hampshire**

Polls will be open from 7:00 a. m. to 7:00 p. m.

Articles 1 and 2 will be voted upon at the polls.

The remaining articles will be considered at the meeting held at 8:00 p. m.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Amherst in the County of Hillsborough in said State; qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Wilkins School in said Amherst on Tuesday, the 6th day of March next at seven in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

**Article 1**

To choose all necessary Town Officers.

**Article 2**

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS  
TO ZONING MAP AND ZONING ORDINANCE  
TOWN OF AMHERST  
ADOPTED MARCH - 1966 AND AS AMENDED**

**Amendment 1.** The zoning map of the Town of Amherst is hereby amended by changing the areas indicated with red on the zoning map from the present **Rural** classification to **Residential** classification.

**Ballot Question:**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows? (change of rural area to residential area as outlined in red on zoning map).

YES

NO

**Amendment 2.** The zoning map of the Town of Amherst is hereby amended by changing the triangular area bounded on the North by Route 101, on the South by Stockwell Road and on the East by Old Manchester Road from the present **Rural** classification to **Commercial** classification thereby adding this portion of land to the presently designated Commercial area as now shown on the zoning map.

**Ballot Question:**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows? (change area bounded on North by 101, South by Stockwell Road and East by Old Manchester Road from **Rural** to **Commercial**).

YES

NO

**Amendment 3.** The zoning map of the Town of Amherst is hereby amended by changing the areas indicated in blue on the zoning map on the northerly side of Route 101A commencing at Veterans Road and running easterly to the Merrimack Town Line including the presently designated Transition District, said area being equal in depth running northerly from Route 101A, to the depth of lots as shown on the tax map of the Town of Amherst but not in any case to exceed 400' in depth, and on the southerly side of Route 101A commencing at Mother Gardners' Crossing, so-called, and running easterly to the Merrimack Town Line, said area including the presently designated transitional area lying southerly of Route 101A and all that area easterly of the presently transition area southerly of Route 101A to the Hollis Town line and the Merrimack Town line from the present **Rural** and **Transition** classifications respectively to **Commercial** classification and any land thereafter remaining in the presently designated transition area on the north side of Route 101A shall be changed to **Residential** classification; and to delete "Transition District" from Section 2-1 of Article II, all of Section 4-7 of Article IV and all of Section 5-7 of Article V from the zoning ordinance, together with any other reference to Transition District.

**Ballot Question:**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows? (change area on 101A from Veterans Road and Mother Gardners' Crossing to Merrimack Town Line and including present Transition District as outlined in blue on zoning map from **Rural** and **Transition** to **Commercial**).

YES

NO

**Amendment 4.** The zoning map of the Town of Amherst is hereby amended by changing the area indicated in yellow on the zoning map bounded on the south by Route 101A on the East by Veterans Road and on the north by Stearns Road from the present classification of **Rural** to the classification of **Commercial**.

**Ballot Question:**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows? (change area on 101A between Stearns Road and Veterans Road from rural to commercial as outlined in yellow on zoning map).

YES

NO

**Amendment 5.** The zoning map of the Town of Amherst is hereby amended by changing the area bounded on the west by the Milford Town line, on the south by the north side of Route 101A a distance of approximately 1440' on the north by Boston and Maine Railroad right-of-way and on the east by land of John Forsyth from the present **Rural** classification to **Commercial** classification. (By Petition) Planning Board does recommend adoption of the Article.

**Ballot Question:**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by petition of the voters for this Town? (change area on North side 101A from Town Line easterly to Forsyth land and between 101A and B & M Railroad from rural to commercial). Planning Board recommends approval.

YES

NO

**Amendment 6.** The zoning map of the Town of Amherst is hereby amended by changing the areas indicated in green shown on the Wetland zoning map overlay from the present classification to the classification of Wetland and the zoning ordinance of the Town of Amherst is amended by adding Wetland Conservation District to Section 2-1, Article II and by adding the following as Section 4-11:

Section 4-11 Wetland Conservation District.

**4-11-A. General**

The Wetland Conservation District is hereby determined to be those areas identified and delineated as poorly drained or very poorly drained soils and as bodies of water by the National Cooperative Soil Survey through field mapping surveys completed in 1970 and shown on its field mapping photographic sheets for the

Town of Amherst, New Hampshire. The Wetland Conservation District as herein defined is shown on a map or maps designated as the Town of Amherst Wetland Conservation District Map and is a part of the "Zoning Map" of the Town of Amherst, New Hampshire. For a detailed explanation of Soil Types, see "Soils and Their Interpretations for Various Land Uses, Town of Amherst, Hillsborough County New Hampshire" February 1971, on file with the Town Clerk and the Planning Board.

In all cases where the Wetland Conservation District is superimposed over another zoning district in the Town of Amherst, that district whose regulations are the more restrictive shall apply.

In the event an area is incorrectly designated as being poorly drained or very poorly drained soils on the Town of Amherst Wetland Conservation District Map and evidence to that effect is satisfactorily presented to the Town Building Inspector, the restrictions contained in this Section shall not apply. Such evidence may be obtained by adequate on-site soils investigation and analysis conducted by a soils scientist qualified in field analysis.

#### **B. Purpose**

In the interest of public health, convenience, safety and welfare, the regulations of this District are intended to guide the use of areas of land with extended periods of high water tables:

1. To prevent the development of structures and land uses on naturally occurring wetlands which would contribute to pollution of surface and ground water by sewage.
2. To prevent the destruction of natural wetlands which provide flood protection, recharge of ground water supply, and augmentation of stream flow during dry periods.
3. To prevent unnecessary or excessive expenses to the Town to provide and maintain essential services and utilities which arise because of inharmonious use of wetlands.
4. To encourage those uses that can be appropriately and safely located in wetland areas.

#### **C. Permitted Uses**

Any use that does not result in the erection of any structure or alter the surface configuration by addition of fill and that is otherwise permitted by the zoning ordinance:

1. Forestry — tree farming;
2. Agriculture;
3. Water impoundments and well supplies;

4. Drainage ways — streams, creeks, or other paths of normal runoff water;
5. Wildlife refuge;
6. Parks and such recreation uses as are consistent with the purpose and intentions of Section 4-11 B;
7. Conservation areas and nature trails;
8. Open space as permitted by subdivision regulations and other sections of this ordinance.

#### **D. Special Exceptions**

Special exceptions may be granted by the Board of Adjustment for the following uses within the Wetland Conservation District:

1. Streets, roads, and other access ways and utility rights of way easements including power lines and pipe lines if essential to the productive use of land not so zoned and if so located and constructed as to minimize any detrimental impact of such uses upon the wetlands.
2. The undertaking of a use not otherwise permitted in the Wetland Conservation District, which may include the erection of a structure, dredging, filling, drainage, or otherwise altering the surface configuration of the land, if it can be shown that such proposed use will not conflict with the purpose and intentions of Section 4-11 B and if such proposed use is otherwise permitted by the zoning ordinance. Proper evidence to this effect shall be submitted in writing to the Board of Adjustment and shall be accompanied by the findings of a review by the Hillsborough County Conservation District of the environmental effects of such proposed use upon the wetlands in question.

#### **E. Special Provisions**

No wetland may be used to satisfy minimum lot requirements in any zone or to satisfy minimum common land requirements in a cluster development, and no septic tank or leech field may be located closer than seventy-five (75) feet to any wetland.

#### **Ballot Question:**

**Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows? (Adoption Wetland Conservation District as shown in green on zoning map and regulations relating to Wetland Conservation District).**

YES

NO

**Amendment 7.** The zoning ordinance of the Town of Amherst is hereby amended as follows:

A. To delete Section 3-2 Damaged Structures from Article III.

B. To delete Section 3-3 Nonconforming Uses from Article III and substitute therefor the following:

“Section 3-3 Nonconforming Uses

“A. The existing lawful use or occupation of land or premises hereunder may be continued although such use or occupation does not conform to the provisions thereof. Such non-conforming use or occupancy may not be enlarged or extended and if it is discontinued for more than one year any subsequent use or occupancy of the land or premises shall be a conforming use or occupancy.

“B. A nonconforming use may be changed only to a use permitted in the district in which it is located and when changed to a conforming use no building or land shall be permitted to revert to a nonconforming use.

“C. When a structure on a nonconforming lot or a structure containing a nonconforming use is damaged by fire, flood, wind or Act of God, such structure may be reconstructed and used as before such damage provided such reconstruction is commenced within eighteen months and completed within two years after the date of the original damage.

“D. The Board of Adjustment may by resolution prescribe such further regulations not contrary to law as it deems desirable or necessary to regulate or control or reduce the number or extent of or the gradual elimination of nonconforming uses or occupancies.

“E. A nonconforming building may be repaired or structurally altered provided it does not extend the area or volume of space occupied by the nonconforming use.”

C. To amend Paragraph A Section 3-4 Article III to read as follows:

“A. Sanitary protection requirements shall be those required by laws and regulations of the State of New Hampshire as well as local ordinances.”

D. To delete Section 3-5 Signs from Article III and substitute therefor the following:

“Section 3-5 Signs

“A. In the L and RE districts there shall be permitted on any one lot no more than one sign, size of which shall not exceed

six square feet in area, and the height of which shall not exceed 6' from the ground level to the top of the sign. Only signs of the following type may be displayed: historic signs, name of occupant, nature of goods or services dealt in by a home occupation and signs which offer the property for sale or rent.

"B. In the RU District lot signs shall be in accordance with paragraph A above, however, advertising signs related to a permitted use shall be permitted not to exceed twelve square feet in area and the height of which shall not exceed 9' from the ground level to the top of the sign. Two such advertising signs not less than 100 feet apart if they front on the same side of the highway may be permitted.

"C. In the C, T and I Districts, the following signs shall be permitted: Signs for each business or establishment may total 100 square feet in area on any one lot containing such business or establishment. The height of such sign shall not exceed 15' from the ground level to the top of the sign.

"D. The following rules apply to all signs:

"1. Signs shall be constructed or maintained in such a way that they do not endanger traffic by obstructing the view of the highway, street or intersection.

"2. Each sign shall be constructed of durable material and shall be maintained in a high state of repairs at all times.

"3. Only signs advertising an establishment in the Town of Amherst and the general nature of the business or services rendered shall be permitted.

"4. No sign shall project over any street or sidewalk line.

"5. No neon or tubular signs, flashing or revolving signs shall be permitted in any district."

E. To amend Paragraph C of Section 5-6 Article V to read as follows:

"c. Commercial Recreational Uses."

F. To delete item I Planned Developments from Section 5-6 Article V and substitute therefor the following:

"I. Planned Developments, subject to the following additional conditions and standards:

"1. The applicant shall provide three (3) copies of the preliminary plan of the proposed development to the Administrative Official together with his application for a permit for a special exception pursuant to Article VI Section F-1 of this ordinance.

"2. Such plan shall set forth the following:

"a. Proposed use or uses of the land.

"b. Dimensions and locations of proposed structures and of areas to be reserved for vehicular and pedestrian traffic.

"c. Facilities for parking.

"d. Architectural drawings and sketches showing the design of structures and their relationship to each other.

"e. A metes and bounds outline of applicant's total land as well as a similar outline of the land within such land to be utilized for said proposed purposes.

"f. Any arrangements which the applicant intends to make to insure that the portion of applicant's land which will not be utilized shall remain not so utilized in perpetuity.

"g. Existing public uses in the general area; such as schools, playgrounds, churches and other open spaces.

"h. Name of proposed development, name of owner, north point, date, area of site, parcel boundary, abutting owners, setback lines, easements, open space (acreage noted), watercourse, natural features, zoning districts, subdivisions and buildings within 100' of outer boundaries, roads and drives within 200' of outer boundaries, topographic contours, water mains and other utilities, sanitary sewers or percolation test locations, drainage systems, location of soils and groundwater test pits.

"3. The Administrative Official shall retain one copy of said plan and shall immediately forward one copy to the Planning Board and one copy to the Board of Adjustment. The Planning Board may review said plan and may within 30 days of receipt of the same render to the Board of Adjustment its (The Planning Board) findings, suggestions or recommendations as to the proposed plans, acceptability and/or any conditions which the Planning Board feels in its judgment ought to accompany approval of such plan. The Board of Adjustment shall consider the Planning Board's recommendations in making its determination as to approval of said plan but shall not necessarily be bound by the same. If the Planning Board fails to act on the plan as set forth within 30 days the Board of Adjustment shall proceed to act on the applicant's proposed plan and said inaction by the Planning Board shall be deemed to constitute it acquiescence in said plan as presented.

“4. The Board of Adjustment shall, not less than 30 days, nor more than 60 days from the receipt of such preliminary plan but before the hearing provided for in Article VI Paragraph F-1 (2-a) indicate its approval or disapproval of such preliminary plan in the case of approval of which the Board of Adjustment shall follow the procedures set forth in Article VI Paragraph F-1 of this ordinance with respect to procedure for permits for special exceptions and any time period applicable to such application for permits for special exception shall commence upon the approval of such preliminary plan.

“5. The Board of Adjustment may approve such plan subject to such conditions or limitations as it deems necessary either at the time of preliminary approval or final approval of such application for special exception for a planned development and shall upon the granting of an approval subject to such conditions set forth a reasonable period of time within which the applicant must indicate his acceptance or rejection of any or all of said conditions and the applicant's failure to so indicate shall be deemed to constitute a withdrawal of said application.”

G. To amend item B-6 of Section 5-8 of Article V to read as follows:

“6. Provision shall be made that at least fifteen per cent (15%) of the land area of the entire tract, exclusive of land set aside for road area, shall be Common Land, which shall be reasonably usable, for the purposes intended as set forth below.”

H. To delete Paragraph D of Section 6-2 of Article VI and substitute therefor the following:

No application for a certificate required by this ordinance shall receive action by the Administrative Official unless made in writing and accompanied by a sketch or plan of the proposed building or sign or Earth Material Removal and a list of specifications and payment of a fee which fee shall be established from time to time by the Selectmen as they see fit, said fee to be paid to the Town Treasurer.

The Administrative Official shall be a salaried employee of the Town and shall be paid a salary as determined by the Selectmen and approved by the Town as part of the annual budget.

I. To delete Paragraph C — Initial Membership from Section 6-3 of Article VI and re-letter Paragraph D and E as paragraph C and D respectively.

J. To amend Paragraph E (re-lettered D) Meetings of Section 6-3 Article VI by adding the following new paragraph:

All applications shall be acted upon within ninety days after the date of filing the application or within 90 days of the date of filing of any additional information requested by the Board but no later than 6 months after the date of filing; provided, however, when additional information is not furnished within a reasonable time the Board may on notice to the applicant deny the application without prejudice to the right to refile. When an application is denied on the merits the application may not be refiled for a period of one year after the date of denial.

K. To amend Article IX Section 9-1 Meaning of Certain Words — as follows:

1. Add the following definition of "Accessory use":

**Accessory Use.** A use which is clearly incidental to or customarily found in connection with or subordinate to the principal use of the premises and which is conducted on the same lot.

2. To add the following definition of "flashing sign".

**Flashing Sign.** Any illuminated sign on which the artificial light is not maintained stationary or constant in intensity or color at all times when in use including any revolving illuminated sign.

3. To amend the existing definition of "home occupation" to read as follows:

**Home Occupation.** An accessory use incidental and subordinate to the dwelling use, occupying no more than twenty percent of the gross floor area that would not change its residential character. A home occupation may employ not more than two non-residents, display a non-illuminated sign not to exceed six square feet in size and utilize indoor storage of equipment or supplies in the dwelling or accessory buildings thereto. There shall be no emission of dust, fumes, smoke, noise or vibration across the lot line.

4. To amend the definition of Planned development to read as follows:

**Planned Development.** The use of an area of land 10 acres or larger for any of the following purposes:

a. Landscaped administrative offices.

- b. Laboratories devoted to research.
- c. Assembly of previously prepared material.
- d. Any other use or uses authorized in the Rural area as permitted use or uses by Special Exception.

Provided however,

- a. That not more than 40% of the total area of the proposed plot be occupied by buildings; and,
- b. That no structure be built nearer than 100 feet to an RE or L District.

5. To add the following definition:

**Principal Route of Access.** A principal route of access within the meaning of this ordinance shall be deemed to consist of any public way which the Town has a duty to maintain or any private way maintained by the owner or owners abutting the same provided however that not more than two residential dwellings shall be permitted on a private way.

**Ballot Question:**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows? (changes to Article III, Article V, Article VI and Article IX of the zoning ordinance).

YES

NO

**Amendment 8.** To amend the ordinance by appropriately re-lettering and renumbering all sections, paragraphs and subparagraphs as necessary to give effect to amendments heretofore adopted and adopted as of this date.

**Ballot Question:**

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town zoning ordinance as follows? (reletter and renumber paragraphs and subparagraphs as necessary to give effect to adoption of other amendments).

YES

NO

### Article 3

To raise such monies as may be necessary to defray Town Charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for the same.

### Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to be withdrawn from the Revenue Sharing fund established under provision of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for the purpose of conducting feasibility studies, including but not limited to, engineering and soils studies, hiring of consultants, all with a view toward locating a suitable parcel of property as a site for a sanitary landfill project including in the foregoing the right on the part of the Selectmen to give deposits not to exceed \$5000.00 and in conjunction with purchase and sales agreements for the ultimate purchase of such land which agreements shall be contingent upon acceptance of the site and approval of such agreements by a subsequent Town Meeting, failing which such deposits shall be refundable to the Town.

### Article 5

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the withdrawal from Revenue Sharing Funds established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as set offs against budgeted appropriations for the following purposes and in the amounts indicated or to take action relative thereto:

Appropriation	Amount
Town Office	\$ 3,000.00
Town Hall	4,000.00
Police	11,758.00
	-----
	\$18,758.00

## Article 6

To see if the Town will give the Selectmen and the Town Treasurer the authority to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

## Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to adopt semi-annual tax billing as provided for under RES 76:15b.

## Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000.00 to the repair of highways and bridges of the Town or to take action relative thereto.

## Article 9

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$47,900.00 for the purpose of a new grader to be financed as follows:

Grader Price	\$47,900.00
Trade-in Allowance	20,150.00
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	\$27,750.00
From Grader Fund	9,000.00
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Balance	\$18,750.00

to be raised by taxation and expended at the discretion of the Selectmen or take action relative thereto.

## Article 10

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 to print the list of taxable properties in the Town or take action relative thereto.

## Article 11

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,000.00 to be withdrawn from the revenue sharing fund established under provision of the state and local assistance act of 1972 for the purpose of hiring qualified assessors to assist the Selectmen in assessing properties or take action relative thereto.

## Article 12

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 to be used for the purchase of land for Conservation purposes in the Town as may be approved by the Conservation Commission and the Board of Selectmen.

## Article 13 (by petition)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 to establish a capital reserve fund for the purpose of capital improvements to the Town Tennis Courts.

## Article 14 (by petition)

To see if the Town will vote to use a portion of the Revenue Sharing Monies to reassess all property within the Town with the aim of securing more equitable taxes.

## Article 15 (by petition)

To see if the Town will vote to designate any or all of the following roads as scenic roads as provided in NH RSA 253:17:

1. Brook Road from the Horace Greeley Road to the Town conservation area.
2. Dodge Road from the water hole below the present Town Dump to the Austin Road.

Article 16 (by petition)

To see if the Town will vote to pass the following by-law:

"It shall be unlawful to permit a dog to run at large off the premises of the Owner or keeper and not under control of a responsible person. Dogs while confined to the owner's premises shall be properly fed kept in a humane manner with the maximum freedom and without undue hardship, drinking water available at all times. Anyone found in violation of any provision of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$10.00 for each offense, or take action relative thereto."

Given under our hands and seal, this 19th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-three.

ELLIOTT P. LYON  
JOHN ENRIGHT  
EDWARD C. MASTEN  
Selectmen of Amherst

A true copy of Warrant — Attest

ELLIOT P. LYON  
JOHN ENRIGHT  
EDWARD C. MASTEN  
Selectmen of Amherst

## BUDGET

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Approp. Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expend. Previous Fiscal Year	Approp. Ensuing Fiscal Year 1973
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 9,200.00	\$ 8,852.00	\$10,700.00
Town Officers' Expenses	17,380.00	17,412.43	22,585.00
Election & Registration Expenses	2,000.00	3,446.00	1,450.00
Mapping	750.00	715.20	1,500.00
Town Hall & Other Town Bldgs.	4,735.00	6,345.32	8,085.00
Employees' Retire. & Soc See.	6,100.00	6,712.70	7,950.00
Contingency Fund	1,800.00	27.37	1,800.00
Baboosic Lake Park	2,700.00	10,218.42	11,240.75
Police Department	51,935.00	52,689.60	70,093.00
Fire Department	21,840.00	22,888.16	24,525.00
Care of Trees	3,150.00	3,073.11	3,500.00
Insurance	9,700.00	11,873.38	15,675.00
Planning & Zoning	1,675.00	1,775.00	9,740.00
Damages & Legal Expense	2,500.00	3,019.24	4,950.00
Civil Defense	1,150.00	1,196.12	2,995.00
Health Dept.	2,500.00	2,500.00	3,000.00
Vital Statistics	165.00	82.00	150.00
Brick School	2,645.00	2,974.38	3,800.00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	8,700.00	8,805.49	8,700.00
Town Maint. — Summer & Winter	86,900.00	95,268.28	90,310.00
Street Lighting	3,100.00	2,950.98	3,300.00
General Expenses of Hgwy. Dept.	11,800.00	20,222.22	12,600.00
Town Road Aid	1,871.98	1,871.98	1,852.65
Libraries	18,850.00	19,980.00	22,410.00
Town Poor	2,700.00	1,698.10	2,700.00
Old Age Assistance	4,000.00	2,867.81	4,000.00
Aid to Permanently and Totally Disabled	500.00	195.00	500.00
Patriotic Purposes	600.00	554.50	600.00
Recreation	2,635.00	2,669.77	3,970.00
Comm. Center	6,250.00	6,740.76	7,000.00
Cemeteries	3,750.00	8,433.83	3,200.00
Conservation	1,000.00	253.04	1,000.00
Parks	3,200.00	3,210.51	3,900.00
Principal & Long Term			
Notes & Bonds	16,250.00	16,250.00	16,250.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	6,000.00	5,633.68	8,000.00
Gas Subsidy	33,655.92	33,655.92	33,904.68
Hydrant Rental	1,875.00	1,875.00	1,875.00
Regional Planning	1,275.00	1,151.00	1,275.00
Ambulance Service	2,700.00	2,158.60	6,500.00
Oiling	27,600	27,716.79	29,000.00
Grader	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>\$390,187.90</b>		<b>\$469,586.08</b>

## BUDGET

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Fiscal Year 1973
Interest & Dividends Tax	\$65,000.00	\$58,113.47	\$58,000.00
Railroad Tax	0.00	80.11	0.00
Savings Bank Tax	2,500.00	3,518.41	3,000.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	20,000.00	28,498.88	28,500.00
Highway Subsidy	16,000.00	33,655.93	33,904.68
Reimbursement Forest Conservation Aid	0.00	43.55	0.00
Reim. a-c Business Profits Tax (Town Portion)	18,989.00	18,989.44	5,000.00
Dog Licenses	2,000.00	2,447.00	2,450.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	100.00	110.00	100.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	60,000.00	83,986.39	84,000.00
Interest on Taxes & Deposits	4,000.00	9,023.87	9,000.00
Income from Trust Funds	0.00	129.16	0.00
Police Inc.	200.00	1,254.19	750.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	400.00	363.10	350.00
Resident Taxes Retained	10,000.00	15,554.00	15,500.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	400.00	1,977.62	300.00
Rent of Town Property	1,500.00	1,912.50	1,900.00
Sale of Town Property		35.00	
Cemetery	3,000.00	3,850.00	3,000.00
Dump		229.25	100.00
Poor		335.78	
Zoning			7,890.00
Baboosic			8,730.75
Recreation			1,350.00
Revenue Sharing	11,540.00	39,595.05	
Federal Grant			1,200.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES, EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES</b>			<hr/> <hr/> \$304,620.48
Amount to be raised by Property Taxes			164,965.60
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>			<hr/> <hr/> \$469,586.08

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES**  
**Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1972**

Title of Appropriation	Appropriation	Receipts	Amt.	Avail.	Expended	Over	Under	Estimated
Town Officers	\$ 9,200.00	\$ *185.00	\$ 9,385.00	\$ 8,852.00	\$ 17,412.43	\$ 533.00	\$ 10,700.00	22,585.00
Office Expense	17,380.00	85.80	17,465.80	3,546.00	1,361.00	53.37		1,450.00
Election	2,000.00	185.00	2,185.00	3,669.74		1,133.01	3,970.00	
Recreation	2,635.00	1,167.75	3,802.75	10,218.42		136.07	11,240.75	
Babosic	2,700.00	7,654.49	10,354.49	6,345.32		194.18	8,085.00	
Town Hall	4,735.00	1,804.50	6,539.50	6,712.70	612.70			7,950.00
Social Security	6,100.00	6,100.00	52,689.85			549.34	70,093.00	
Police	51,985.00	1,254.19	53,239.19			746.96	1,000.00	
Conservation	1,000.00		1,000.00	253.04				24,525.00
Fire Dept.	21,840.00	1,048.16	22,888.16					
Tree Care	3,150.00	3,150.00	3,073.11			76.89	3,500.00	
Insurance	9,700.00	57.95	9,757.95	11,873.38	2,115.43		15,675.00	
Planning	1,350.00		1,350.00	343.00		1,007.00	750.00	
Zoning Board Adj.	325.00	100.00	425.00	575.09	150.09		8,990.00	
4th of July	300.00		300.00	307.00	7.00		300.00	
Legal Expenses	2,500.00	2,447.00	4,947.00	3,019.24		1,927.76	4,950.00	
Civil Defense	1,150.00		1,150.00	1,196.12	46.12		2,995.00	
Health Dept.	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,500.00			3,000.00	
Vital Statistics	165.00		165.00	82.00		83.00	150.00	
Gas Subsidy	33,655.92		33,655.92	33,628.21			33,904.68	
Oiling	27,600.00	107.55	27,707.55	27,716.79	9.24		29,000.00	
Dump	8,700.00	277.75	8,977.75	8,805.49		172.26	8,700.00	

Summer Maintenance	26,800.00	1,375.76	28,175.76	28,162.94	12.82	28,550.00
Winter Maintenance	60,100.00	70.00	60,170.00	67,268.28	7,098.28	61,760.00
Street Lights	3,100.00		3,100.00	2,950.98	149.02	3,300.00
General Expenses Hgw.	11,300.00	5,672.11	17,472.11	20,222.22	2,750.11	12,600.00
Town Road Aid	1,871.98		1,871.98	1,871.98		1,852.65
Library	18,850.00	1,130.00	19,980.00	19,980.00		22,410.00
Old Age Assistance	4,000.00	28.30	4,028.30	2,867.81	1,160.99	4,000.00
Town Poor	2,700.00	306.98	3,006.98	1,698.10	1,303.88	2,700.00
Vets Aid	500.00		500.00	195.00	305.00	500.00
Memorial Day	30.00		300.00	247.50	52.50	300.00
Brick	2,645.00	1,405.00	4,050.00	2,974.38	1,075.62	3,300.00
Parks	3,200.00		3,200.00	3,210.51	10.51	3,900.00
Cemeteries	3,750.00	4,750.00	8,500.00	8,433.83	66.17	3,200.00
Maps	750.00	295.20	1,045.20	715.20	330.00	1,500.00
Communication Center	6,250.00		6,250.00	6,740.76	490.76	7,000.00
Hydrant Rental	1,875.00		1,875.00	1,875.00		1,875.00
Interest	6,000.00	4,471.60	10,471.60	5,633.68	4,837.92	8,000.00
Contingency	1,800.00	1,317.80	3,117.80	27.37	3,090.43	1,800.00
Grader Fund	3,000.00		3,000.00	1,151.00	*3,000.00	3,000.00
Regional Planning	1,275.00		1,275.00		124.00	1,275.00
Notes	16,250.00		16,250.00		16,250.00	16,250.00
Ambulance					6,500.00	6,500.00
Oiling	27,600.00		27,716.79		29,000.00	
Under-expended	\$387,487.90		\$37,198.39	\$424,686.29	\$417,183.63	\$14,651.24
						\$22,153.90
						\$469,586.08
						14,651.24
						\$ 7,502.66

\*(Due)

Art. 13 Hgw.	8,000.00	8,000.00	
Art. 14 Tractor	7,000.00	7,000.00	6,939.64
Art. 20 CD Truck	4,800.00	4,800.00	4,800.00
Art. 21 Ambulance	2,700.00	2,700.00	2,158.60
Special Art. No. 1	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
Art. 11 of '71	1,962.77	1,962.77	1,962.77
Resident Tax		421.62	13,940.85
Yield Taxes		78,178.35	
County Tax		132,942.23	
Payroll Account		1,353,046.00	
School District		8,304.36	
Tax Sale Account		1,654.47	
Precinct Tax		16,465.25	
Refunds		500,000.00	
Temp. Loans		2,237.00	2,237.00 (Due \$3,000.00)
Trust Funds	2,200.00	37.00	4,859.24
Automobile Account			
Total Orders			\$2,560,594.01
Less Missing Check		25.87	
			<u>\$2,560,568.14</u>

## SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

	1972	1971
Land	\$ 8,045,200	\$ 7,227,860
Buildings	30,995,350	26,390,222
Factory Buildings	308,140	253,960
Public Water Utility	81,730	81,730
Public Utility — Gas	51,810	51,810
Public Utility — Electric	972,910	923,120
CATV	32,800	(71)
House Trailers	(65)	155,950
Boats	(21)	(27)
Total Valuation Before Exemption	14,657	133,969
Elderly Exemptions	(37)	121,710
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Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is Computed	\$40,536,837	\$34,943,322

**STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS  
AND TAXES ASSESSED AND TAX RATE**

Town Officers Salaries	\$ 9,200 00
Town Office Administrative Expenses	17,380 00
Election and Registration Expenses	2,000 00
Recreation	5,335 00
Town Hall and Buildings Maintenance	4,735 00
Social Security and Retirement Contributions	6,100 00
Police Department	51,985 00
Conservation	1,000 00
Fire Department; Forest Fires	21,840 00
Blister Rust — Moth Extermination and Care of Trees	3,150 00
Insurance	9,700 00
Planning \$1,350.; Zoning \$325.	1,675 00
Damages and Legal Expenses	2,500 00
Civilian Defense	1,150 00
Health Department	1,000 00
Vital Statistics	165 00
Oiling	27,600 00
Dump and Garbage Collection	8,700 00
Town Maintenance: (Summer \$26,800.) (Winter \$60,100.)	86,900 00
Street Lighting	3,100 00
General Expenses of Highway Department	11,800 00
Town Road Aid	1,871 98
Libraries	18,850 00
Old Age Assistance	4,000 00
Public Relief: (Town Poor \$2,700.) (Veterans' Aid \$500.)	3,200 00
Memorial Day, Vet. Assoc., Old Home Day \$300.; 4th of July \$300.	600 00
Parks and Playgrounds incl. Band Concerts	3,200 00
Brick School	2,645 00
Cemeteries	3,750 00
Maps	750 00
Communications Center	6,250 00

Hydrant Rental	1,875 00
Grader Fund	3,000 00
Mental Health	1,500 00
Regional Planning	1,275 00
Special Highway Projects	33,655 92
Payment on Debt:	
(Principal \$16,250.) (Interest \$6,000.)	22,250 00
Article 13	8,000 00
Contingency Fund	1,800 00
Article 14	7,000 00
Article 20	4,800 00
Article 21	2,700 00
 Total Town Appropriation	 \$409,987 90

### **Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits**

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$58,113 47
Railroad Tax	80 11
Savings Bank Tax	3,518 41
Highway Subsidy	33,655 92
Meals and Rooms Tax	28,395 50
Reimbursement a/c State	
and Federal Lands	43 55
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	1,648 02
Interest Received on Taxes	
and Time Deposits	7,946 05
Business Licenses, Permits and	
Filing Fees	255 00
Dog Licenses	2,273 50
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	84,900 00
Rent of Town Property	
and Equipment	1,800 00
Income from Trust Funds	1,019 16

Fines and Forfeits – Municipal Court	270	00
Dump	229	25
National Bank Stock Taxes	313	20
<b>Resident Taxes Retained</b>	<b>20,080</b>	<b>00</b>
Old Age Recovery	28	80
<b>Total Revenues and Credits</b>	<b>-----</b>	<b>244,569 94</b>
Net Town Appropriations		\$165,417 96
Net School Appropriations		1,495,724 81
County Tax Assessment		78,178 35
<b>Total of Town, School and County</b>	<b>\$1,739,321 12</b>	
<b>Deduct: Reimb. a/c Property Exempted</b>		
1970 Spec. Session		18,989 00
Add: War Service Tax Credits		23,550 00
Add: Overlay		15,416 61
<b>Property Taxes to be Raised</b>		<b>\$1,759,298 73</b>

#### Tax Rates:

Town	\$ .42
School	3.73
County	.19
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4.34</b>
Precinct	.03

## BALANCE SHEET

### ASSETS

#### Cash:

In hands of treasurer	\$573,382 68
In hands of officials — Petty cash	50 00
Total	----- \$573,432.68

#### Capital Reserve Funds:

Fire Truck	\$ 11,553 57
Grader Fund	6,306 63
Southern Fire District	12,952 97
Total	----- \$ 30,813 17

#### Unredeemed Taxes:

(b) Levy of 1971	\$ 4,764 01
(c) Levy of 1970	1,514 82
(d) Previous Years	12 22
Total	----- \$ 6,291 05

#### Uncollected Taxes:

(a) Levy of 1972, including resident taxes	\$182,489 00
(e) State Head Taxes — previous years	20 00
Total	----- \$182,509 00

Total Assets \$793,045 90

Grand Total \$793,045 90

Current Deficit, December 31, 1971 \$ 38,896 14

Current Surplus, December 31, 1972 1,751 58

Increase-Decrease of Surplus (Deficit) —  
Change in Financial Condition 40,647 72

## LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:	
Bills outstanding (see schedule)	\$ 3,974 87
Unexpended Balance of Bond and	
Notes Funds — Bean	1,750 75
Unexpended Revenue Sharing	
Funds	11,540 00
Unexpended State Highway	
Subsidy Funds	27 72
Resident Taxes —	
(uncollected \$3,883) (collected — not	
remitted to state treas. \$180)	3,963 00
School District Tax Payable	735,724 81
Other Liabilities	
Art. 16 of 1971	
Conservation Land	3,500 00
Total Accounts Owned	
by the Town	----- \$760,481 15
Capital Reserve Funds	30,813 17
	-----
Total Liabilities	\$791,294 32
Current Surplus (Excess of assets	
over liabilities)	1,751 58
	-----
Grand Total	\$793,045 90

**SCHEDULE A**  
**CASH IN HANDS OF TREASURER**

On Deposit in General Fund	
Souhegan National Bank	\$560,091 93
CD Account No. 389 Federal Revenue Sharing	11,540 00
CD Account No. 403 Baboosic Lake Capital	1,750 75
	-----
	\$573,382 68

**SCHEDULE B**  
**OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS**

Recreation Donation to be Transferred	
to Capital Account (Bean)	\$ 500 00
Due Town Officers	449 00
Grader Fund Payment	3,000 00
Missing check to be reissued	25 87
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	\$ 3,974 87

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

### RECEIPTS

#### Current Revenue:

##### From Local Taxes:

Property taxes, current yr., '72	\$1,556,829	55
Resident taxes, current yr., '72	24,590	00
National bank stock taxes,		
current year, 1972	363	10
Yield taxes, current yr., '72	1,977	62
Total Current Year's Taxes	-----	\$1,583,760 27

Property taxes & yield taxes, previous years	181,649	00
Resident taxes, previous years	3,690	00
Interest received on delinquent taxes	4,552	27
Penalties: resident taxes, state head taxes	271	00
Tax sales redeemed	21,763	91

##### From State:

Fisk Fund	120	16
Annual Care of Cemetery	1,650	00
Highway Income	7,096	26
Highway Subsidy	33,655	93
Interest and dividends tax	58,113	47
Railroad tax	80	11
Savings bank tax	3,518	41
Reimbursement a-c State and Federal forest lands	43	55
Poor account	306	98
Town Office Expense Credit	110	80
Fighting forest fires & Fire Dept. income	1,048	16
Contingency income	1,317	80
Reimbursement a-c Old Age Assistance	28	80
Meals and Rooms Tax	28,498	88
Reimbursements a-c Business Profits Tax	18,989	44

**From Local Sources, Except Taxes:**

Dog Licenses	2,447	00
Business licenses, permits & filing fees	110	00
CBS Refunds	150	00
Rent of town property	1,912	50
Interest received on deposits	4,471	60
Maps	295	20
Police	1,254	19
Cancelled Checks	135	70
Dumps	277	75
Motor Vehicle Permits	83,986	39

**Receipts Other than Current Revenue:**

Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	500,000	00
Insurance adjustments	57	95
New Trust Funds received during year	5,300	00
CD's	300,000	00
Sale of town property	35	00
Revenue Sharing	11,540	00
Law Enforcement Assistance Act (Governor's Commission on Crime and Delinquency)	1,262	00
To Payroll Account	132,942	23
Baboosic Lake	7,664	49
Recreation	1,157	75
Library Overpayment	1,130	00
CD No. 403	1,750	75
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Total Receipts from All Sources	\$3,008,154	70
Cash on hand January 1, 1972	125,796	12
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Grand Total	\$3,133,950	82

## PAYMENTS

### Current Maintenance Expenses:

#### General Government:

Town officers' salaries	\$ 8,852 00
Town officers' expenses	17,412 43
Election and registration expenses	3,546 00
Regional Planning	1,151 00
Expenses town hall & other town bldgs.	6,345 32
Baboosic Lake expense	10,218 42
Recreation	2,669 74

#### Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	52,689 85
Brick School	2,974 38
Fire department, including forest fires	22,888 16
Moth extermination – Blister rust and Care of trees	3,073 11
Planning \$343; Zoning \$579.09	918 09
Gas Subsidy	33,628 21
Insurance	11,873 38
Civil Defense	1,196 12
Conservation Commission	252 04
Communication Center	6,740 76

#### Health:

Health department, including hospitals & ambulance	2,500 00
Vital statistics	82 00
Oiling	27,716 79
Town dumps & garbage removal	8,805 49

#### Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	1,871 98
Town Maintenance (Summer \$28,162.94) (Winter \$67,268.28)	95,431 22
Street Lighting	2,950 98
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	20,222 22

<b>Libraries:</b>	
Libraries	19,980 00
<b>Public Welfare:</b>	
Old age assistance	2,867 81
Town poor	1,698 10
Vets Aid	195 00
<b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>	
Memorial Day, Veteran's Associations and Old Home Day	554 50
<b>Recreation:</b>	
Parks & playgrounds, incl. band concerts	3,210 51
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>	
Contingency	27 37
Cemeteries, incl. hearse hire	8,433 83
Hydrant Rental	1,875 00
<b>Unclassified:</b>	
Damages and legal expenses	3,019 24
Taxes bought by town	8,304 36
Discounts, abatements & refunds	16,465 25
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	6,712 70
Payments to trustees of trust funds (New Trust Funds)	2,237 00
<b>Interest on Debt:</b>	
Paid on tax anticipation notes	5,633 68
<b>Principal of Debt:</b>	
Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes	500,000 00
Payments on long term notes	16,250 00
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>	
Art. 13	8,000 00
Art. 14	6,939 64
Art. 20	4,800 00
Art. 21	2,158 60
Special No. 1	7,500 00

11 of '71	1,962	77
Payroll Account	132,942	23
Automobile account	4,859	24
Tax Maps	715	20
<b>Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:</b>		
Resident Taxes paid State Treasurer	13,940	85
Payments to State a-c 2% Bond and		
Debt Retirement Taxes	421	62
Taxes paid to County	78,178	35
Payments to Precincts	1,654	47
Payments to School Districts	1,353,046	00
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Total Payments for All Purposes	\$2,560,568	14
Cash on hand December 31, 1972	573,382	68
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<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$3,133,950</b>	<b>82</b>

**SCHEDULE OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS**  
**As of December 31, 1972**

Long Term Notes Outstanding:		
Baboosic Lake Recreation Area	\$32,500	00
Total Long Term Indebtedness, Dec. 31, 1972	\$32,500	00

**Reconciliation of Outstanding Long Term Indebtedness**

Outstanding Long Term Debt, Dec. 31, 1971	\$56,250	00
New Debt Created During Fiscal Year	0	00
Long Term Notes Issued	0	00
Bonds Issued	0	00
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Total	\$56,250	00
Debt Retirement During Fiscal Year:		
Long Term Notes Paid	23,750	00
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Outstanding Long Term Debt, Dec. 31, 1972	\$32,500	00

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

As of December 31, 1972

Description	Value
Town hall	\$ 103,880 00
Furniture and equipment	53,200 00
Library	150,000 00
Furniture and equipment	41,000 00
Brick School	112,600 00
Equipment	1,000 00
Police Department equipment	10,000 00
Fire Department building	33,800 00
Equipment	45,000 00
Highway department building	15,000 00
Equipment	60,000 00
Annex	13,200 00
Commons and parks	5,000 00
Baboosic Lake Pavillion	30,000 00
Baboosic Lake Park	50,000 00
School lands and building	1,020,000 00
Equipment	280,000 00
Dump land	2,120 00
Old Baboosic dump site	1,990 00
Conservation Commission land	
Sherburne Reservation	1,000 00
Odell Meadow	1,400 00
Joe English Brook Reservation	30,000 00
Erickson Reservation	1,440 00
Plumb Reservation	4,300 00

All land and buildings acquired through  
Tax Collectors Deed

Bartlett land	800 00
Brown lot	500 00
Goodwin building	1,700 00
Chandler lot	350 00
Melendy lot	200 00
White lot	1,090 00
Gelinas land	960 00
Broadway lot	2,330 00
Brooks Land	1,780 00
Glover land	1,520 00
Nash land	150 00
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Total	\$2,077,310 00

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**  
**For the Year Ending December 31, 1972**

Auto Permits (1971)	\$ 1,703 50
Auto Permits (1972)	<u>82,282 89</u>
Paid to Treasurer	<u>\$83,986 39</u>

**Dog Account**

7 Kennel Licenses	
46 Part Year Licenses	
949 1972 Licenses	
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1002 Total	\$2,645 00
Paid Clerk	<u>198 00</u>
Paid to Treasurer	<u>\$2,447 00</u>

**Dump Sticker Account**

Total Collected	\$ 394 50
Paid Clerk	<u>116 75</u>
Paid to Treasurer	<u>\$ 277 75</u>

**Notice to Owners and Keepers of Dogs**

Every owner or keeper of a dog shall annually on or before the 30th day of April, cause it to be registered, numbered, described and licensed for one year from the first day of May, in the office of the Town Clerk wherein said dog is kept, and shall cause it to wear around its neck a collar distinctly marked with a registered number.

All dogs must be vaccinated against rabies in the state's attempt to prevent the spread of this killing disease.

Male or spayed dogs, \$2.00; female dogs, \$5.00; \$1.00 penalty if not paid before June 1st.

An untagged dog is a stray dog and may be picked up by the dog officer and taken to the town pound.

Report all lost or found dogs to the Police Department.

A fine of \$100.00 shall be levied on dog owners or keepers answering falsely or refusing to answer. (466:43).

**BERNICE G. BOOTHROYD,**  
**Town Clerk**

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

### 1972 SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

#### Property, Yield and Bank Stock Taxes

##### Committed to Collector:

Property	\$1,741,457 70
Yield	1,977 62
Bank Stock	363 10
Interest	166 15
Total	-----\$1,743,964 57
Overpayments	83 97
 Total Due	 \$1,744,048 54

##### Remitted to Treasurer:

Property	\$1,556,829 55
Yield	1,977 62
Bank Stock	363 10
Interest	166 15
Total Remitted	-----\$1,559,336 42
Property Tax Abated	9,683 12
Property Tax Uncollected	175,029 00
 Total	 \$1,744,048 54

#### SUMMARY OF WARRANT 1972 Resident Taxes

Committed to Collector	\$31,650 00
Added Taxes	400 00
 Total Resident Taxes	 \$32,050 00
Penalties Collected	40 00
 \$32,090 00	

Remitted to Treasurer	\$24,590 00
Penalties	40 00
	-----
	\$24,630 00
Uncollected Resident Taxes	7,460 00
	-----
	\$32,090 00

### 1971 PROPERTY AND YIELD TAXES

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1972:

Property	\$181,483 42
Yield	552 09
	-----
	\$182,035 51
Added Property Tax	124 68
Interest Collected	2,906 03
	-----
Total	\$185,066 22

Remitted to Treasurer:

Property	\$181,110 59
Yield	538 41
Interest	2,906 03
	-----
	\$184,555 03

Abated:

Property	497 51
Yield	13 68
	-----
Total	\$185,066 22

### 1971 RESIDENT TAX

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1972	\$5,210 00
Added	210 00
Penalties	231 00
	-----
Total	\$5,651 00

Remitted to Treasurer	\$3,690 00
Interest	231 00
Abated	1,710 00
Uncollected	20 00
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	\$5,651 00

### 1970 HEAD TAX

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1972	\$40 00
Abated 1972	\$40 00

### 1970 POLL TAX

Uncollected Jan. 1, 1972	\$14 00
Abated 1972	\$14 00

## REPORT OF TAX SALE AND UNREDEEMED TAXES

### Tax Accounts of:

	1971	1970	Previous
Taxes sold Town	\$ 8,102.96		
Taxes sold individuals	14,564.78		
Unredeemed as of 1/1/72		\$3,610.54	\$1,776.68
Interest Collected	910 67	208.47	360.95
	-----		
Totals	\$23,578.41	\$3,819.01	\$2,137.63

### Remitted to Treasurer:

Taxes	\$17,903.73	\$2,095.72	\$1,764.46
Interest	910.67	208.47	360.95
Unredeemed 12/31	4,764.01	1,514.82	12.22
	-----		
Totals	\$23,578.41	\$3,819.01	\$2,137.63

**UNREDEEMED TAXES AS OF JANUARY 1, 1973**

	1971	1970	Previous
L. Anderson (Paid 1973)	\$ 425.09	\$	\$
T. Campbell	1,251.13		
Yankee Homes	21.54		
	15.16		
	49.05		
	58.24		
G. Bowler	66.33		
M. Flanders	27.20		
H. Green	217.85		
S. Weismann	1,334.01		
R. Mailloux	34.17		
	135.44		
J. Pushee	270.70	241.73	
W. Snyder	111.11	63.49	
E. Brennan		2.60	
H. Wile		183.29	
Boston and Maine	50.27	68.44	
Unknown	12.82		12.22
D. Grant		322.46	
Demers	340.75	315.87	
	343.15	316.94	
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Total	\$4,764.01	\$1,514.82	\$12.22

## TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1972 - March 6, 1972

Cash on Hand Jan. 1, 1972	\$125,796 12
 Received:	
Barbara H. Landry, Taxes	87,580 13
 Bernice G. Boothroyd, Town Clerk:	
Dump Stickers	\$ 61 75
Filings, officers	10 00
Cars registered	16,676 72
	----- 16,748 47
 Trustees of Trust Funds:	
Fiske Highway Fund	129 16
Annual Care - Cemetery	5 00
 Election & Registration:	
Check List	5 00
 Police Dept.:	
Accident Reports	\$30 00
Bike Tags	11 00
Pistol Permits	10 00
	----- 51 00
 Credit Brick School Bldg.:	
Jack & Jill Kindergarten - 3 months rent	360 00
 State of New Hampshire:	
Forest land reimbursement	\$ 43 55
Subsidy	8,325 97
Gas-Cr. H'way.	172 80
	----- 8,542 32
 Payroll	
Library Payroll	13,354 15
	1,664 25

Highway Dept.:		
Cr. General Exp., Riccitelli	\$36 00	
Amherst Village District	35 00	
	-----	71 00
Fire Dept.	536 35	
Town - Contingency Fund	321 80	
 Town Hall:		
Rent	\$10 00	
Dancing	85 00	
	-----	95 00
Cr. Town Officers' Acct.:		
Library - Supplies	3 80	
Elliot Lyon - John Enright -		
return Res. Commission	664 00	
2 checks cancelled, No. 15 and No. 1477	114 00	
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On Hand Jan. 1, 1972	\$130,245 43	
	125,796 12	
	-----	
Total	\$256,041 55	
Total Payments	132,029 43	
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On Hand March 6th	\$124,012 12	

### TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

March 6, 1972 to December 31, 1972

Cash on Hand	\$124,012 12
Barbara Landry, Tax Collector	1,708,106 32
Bernice Boothroyd, Town Clerk:	
Car Registrations	\$67,309 67
Dog Licenses	2,447 00
Dump Stickers	216 00
	-----
	69,972 67

Town Payroll Account	\$107,630 08
Library Payroll	10,293 75
	-----
Overpayment to Library	117,923 83
Credit Elections & Registrations:	1,130 00
Filing & Recount Fees	\$ 20 00
CBS Election Refund	150 00
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	170 00
Trustees of Trust Fund:	
Credit Cemetery	\$4,750 00
Gifts – Perpetual Care:	
Isaac Hall	100 00
Dudley Bell	100 00
John Hughes	100 00
Helen Hammond	100 00
John Enright	100 00
Warren Avery	50 00
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	5,300 00
Trustees of Cemetery:	
Sale of Lots, Burials and Annual Care	1,645 00
Licenses:	
3 Junk Yard Licenses	75 00
Maps and Zoning Books	\$267 25
Copying and Printing	27 95
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	295 20
Town Buildings:	
Brick School Rentals	\$1,045 00
Town Hall Rentals	412 50
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	1,457 50
Souhegan National Bank:	
Notes – Anticipation Taxes	500,000 00
C. D. Acct. No. 245	304,471 60
Highway Department:	
General Expense	\$5,463 31
Oiling	107 55
Winter Maintenance	35 00
Summer Maintenance	1,246 60
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	6,852 46

Amherst Recreation Commission:

Swimming Registration	\$122 00
Softball	77 00
Pop Warner Donation	25 00
Fourth of July Donation	15 00
Red Cross	200 00
Tennis	228 75
Bean Foundation	500 00
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	1,167 75

Baboosic Lake Park:

Baboosic Lake Fund	\$1,750 75
Rentals	1,660 00
Registration	1,534 85
Dances	1,208 50
Machines and Games	1,431 95
Public Telephone	63 44
Henderson Whaland Refund	5 00
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	7,654 49

Police Department:

Accdt. and Theft Reports	\$211 00
Bike Tags	152 69
Dog Court Fines	270 00
Special Duty	362 00
Course Refund	78 00
Coat Repair	42 50
Pistol Permit	86 00
Unaccounted for property	1 00
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	1,203 19

Fire Department:

State of N.H. — Gas Tax	\$ 29 61
Forest Fire Bills	28 20
State of N.H. — Gas Tax	45 00
Sonar Radio Equipment	409 00
	-----
	511 81

Town Poor Recovery

306 98

Town Hall and Office Expense:

Supplies	\$ 7 00
Sale of Stove	35 00
Zoning Violation	100 00
Federal Grant Police Station	1,262 00
Return Residence Comm.	332 00
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	1,736 00

Insurance:

Blue Cross - Blue Shield	\$10 95
Infantine Ins. — Baboosic Refund	47 00
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	57 95

Returned Check

Meals and Rooms Tax	\$28,498 88
Ins. and Div. Tax	58,113 47
Old Age Recovery	28 80
Gas Subsidy	25,329 96
Business Profits Tax	18,989 44
Savings Bank Tax	3,518 41
Railroad Tax	80 11
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	134,559 07

Receipts	\$2,864,618 52
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Cash on Hand March 6, 1972	124,012 12
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	\$2,988,630 64
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Orders Paid	2,428,538 71
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Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1972	\$ 560,091 93
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Souhegan National Bank Safekeeping Accounts:

CD Acct. No. 389° — Due 3/13/73	11,540 00
CD Acct. No. 403° — Due 4/8/73	1,750 75
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Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1972	\$ 573,382 68
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\*CD Acct. No. 389 — Federal Revenue Sharing Check

\*CD Acct. No. 403 — Baboosic Lake Capital Account

MARION M. SORTEVIK,  
Treasurer

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS – 1972

### Town Officers' Salaries

Appropriation	\$9,200 00
Bal. Due 1971	185 00
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	\$9,385 00

#### Expended:

Elliot Lyon, Chairman	\$ 1,250 00
John Enright, Selectman	1,083 00
Edward Masten, Selectman	1,000 00
J. Merrill Hines, Selectman	219 00
Bernice Boothroyd, Clerk	500 00
Barbara Landry, Tax Collector	3,000 00
Marion Sortevik, Treasurer	975 00
Catherine Kruger, Treasurer	225 00
David Ramsay, Trustee	200 00
Stephen Noble, Auditor	200 00
Orson Bragdon, Auditor	200 00
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	\$ 8,852 00

#### Due:

Lyon 1971	\$ 83 00
Lyon 1972	166 00
Enright 1972	200 00
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	\$ 449 00

### Town Office Expenses

Appropriation	\$17,380 00
Licenses	75 00
Supplies Sold	10 80
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	\$17,465 80

#### Expended:

Computor	580 26
Supplies	\$ 953 36
Fees	253 75
Advertising	281 79
Mileage	670 20

Dues	442	19
Equipment	1,745	89
Office Help	6,128	72
Phone	1,012	91
Repairs	131	10
Postage	814	80
Printing	3,301	02
Miscellaneous	146	44
Appraisal	750	00
Binding	200	00
		-----
	\$ 17,412	43

#### Elections

Appropriation	\$2,000	00
CBS News Refund	150	00
Filing Fees	30	00
Check List	5	00
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	\$2,185	00

#### Expended:

Supplies	\$	28	85
Voting Booths		568	24
Ballot Clerks		1,810	34
Advertising		83	25
Supervisors		355	00
Printing		91	00
Check Lists		455	33
Expenses		17	80
Janitor Service		136	19
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	\$	3,546	00

#### Town Hall

Appropriation	\$4,735	00
Rental	507	50
Federal Grant	1,262	00
Stove Sale	35	00
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	\$6,539	50

Expended:	
Lights	\$ 373 77
Janitor Service	1,217 41
Supplies	112 39
Oil	974 37
Gas	30 22
Water	37 50
Clock	150 00
Police Room	3,110 00
Rubbish Removal	80 00
Repairs	231 66
Miscellaneous	28 00
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	\$ 6,345 32

#### Social Security and Retirement

Appropriation	\$6,100 00
Expended:	
State of New Hampshire	\$ 6,712 70

#### Conservation

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
Expended:	
Camp	\$ 84 00
Supplies	159 04
	-----
	\$ 253 04

#### Zoning Board of Adjustment

Appropriation	\$325 00
Zoning Violation	100 00
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	\$425 00

Expended:	
Advertising	\$ 237 00
Printing	249 00
Equipment	89 09
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	\$ 575 09

**Police Department**

Appropriation	\$51,985 00
Income	1,254 19
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	\$53,239 19
<b>Expended:</b>	
Salaries — Full Time	\$ 27,001 80
Salaries — Part Time	5,932 39
Traffic Aides	2,547 13
Clerical	1,092 25
Special Duty	*439 50
<b>Cruiser Operating Expenses:</b>	
Gas and Oil	3,323 26
Tires & Repairs	2,805 89
Radio Repairs	885 30
<b>Other Expenses:</b>	
Advertising	17 50
Printing	225 23
Office Supplies	154 95
Telephone	376 45
Films & Bulbs	32 61
Law Books	25 00
Blood Tests & Drs.	31 00
Crime Search Team	260 60
Uniforms	1,097 63
Dry Cleaning	289 17
Training and Education	208 90
Special Travel	722 30
Miscellaneous	259 36
Electrical Repair	156 46
Bicycle Reg.	85 74
<b>Special Equipment Expenses:</b>	
Revolvers	203 90
Shotgun	69 95
Scabbard	6 00
Electronic Gun Lock	59 90
Tranquillizer Gun	151 50
Ammunition	75 00

Tape Recorder	50	84
Monitor	201	60
Office Equipment:		
Desks, Chairs and Files	519	59
Police Cruiser	2,501	15
Gasoline Tanks and Pumps	880	00
		-----
	\$ 52,689	85

° Reimbursed from Special Fees

**Recreation**

Appropriation	\$2,635	00
Income	1,167	75
		-----
	\$3,802	75
Expended:		
Director	\$ 720	00
Lumber	20	99
Baseball	650	15
Supplies	58	27
Utilities	50	00
Softball	12	57
Adv. and Printing	16	50
Swimming	200	00
Equipment	275	00
Tennis	336	25
Basketball	319	43
Miscellaneous	10	58
		-----
	\$ 2,669	74

**Baboosic**

Appropriation	\$ 2,700	00
Income	7,654	49
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	\$10,354	49
Expended:		
Advertising	\$ 49	58
Staff	4,075	20

Electric	344	97
Repairs	564	50
Equipment	635	56
Lumber	411	99
Dance Expense	461	60
Supplies	387	33
Copeland	723	68
Police Special	44	00
Art Supplies	40	18
Plow	20	00
Donation Fund	1,750	57
Sign	168	00
Survey	50	00
Extinguisher	186	28
Miscellaneous	304	98
		-----
		\$ 10,218 48

### Planning

Appropriation	\$1,350	00
Expended:		
Advertising	\$	23 50
Regional Planning Map		300 00
Miscellaneous		19 50
		-----
	\$	343 00

### Fire Department

Appropriation	\$21,840	00
Income		1,048 16
		-----
		\$22,888 16

### Expended:

Draper Oil	\$	855 94
Benner Electric		586 40
Utilities		647 85
Supplies		358 89
Fire Truck Res.		4,000 00
Fire Station Res.		3,000 00
Misc. Exp.		205 00

Auto Repairs	1,440	24
Equipment	4,424	05
Building Main	690	00
Training	161	26
Salaries	6,518	53
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	\$ 22,888	16

#### Tree Committee

Appropriation	\$3,150	00
Expended:		
Spraying	\$	270 00
Planting		392 71
Trimming		650 00
Removal		1,118 40
Blister Rust		150 00
Common		492 00
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	\$ 3,073	11

#### Insurance

Appropriation	\$9,700	00
Income	57	95
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	\$9,757	95

Expended:		
Blue Cross	\$	1,110 55
SMP		2,560 00
Liability		3,487 00
Bonds		461 00
Health and Accident		1,362 83
Comp.		2,492 00
Life		400 00
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	\$ 11,873	38

#### Legal Expenses

Appropriation	\$2,500	00
Dog Licenses	2,447	00
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	\$4,947	00

Expended:

Dog Care	\$ 675 00
Dog Extermination	67 00
Dog Damage	93 45
Dog Tags	116 99
Advertising	14 00
Attorney's Fees	2,052 80
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	3,019 24

### Civil Defense

Appropriation	\$1,150 00
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Expended:

Repairs	\$ 196 78
Supplies	366 86
Files	53 10
Advertising	16 65
Nashua Ambulance	164 62
Lumber	56 35
Equipment	200 25
Phone	52 50
Mileage	67 00
Miscellaneous	22 00
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	\$ 1,196 12

### Health

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
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Mental Health	1,500 00
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	\$2,500 00

Expended:

Souhegan Nursing	\$ 500 00
Health Officer	500 00
Nashua Mental Health	1,500 00
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	\$ 2,500 00

### Vital Statistics

Appropriation	\$165 00
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Expended:

Bernice Boothroyd	\$ 82 00
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**Street Lights**

Appropriation	\$3,100 00
Expended:	
Public Service	\$ 2,950 98

**Town Road Aid**

Appropriation	\$1,871 98
Expended:	
State of New Hampshire	\$ 1,871 98

**Libraries**

Appropriation	\$18,850 00
Income	1,130 00
	-----
	\$19,980 00
Expended:	
Town Library	\$ 19,980 00

**Old Age Assistance**

Appropriation	\$4,000 00
Recovery	28 80
	-----
	\$4,028 80
Expended:	
State of N.H.	\$ 2,867 81

**Town Poor**

Appropriation	\$2,700 00
Income	306 98
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	\$3,006 98
Expended:	
Administration	\$ 150 00
Case 1	192 88
Case 2	17 00
Case 3	198 34
Operation Help	30 00
Case 4	137 75

Case 5	549 96
Case 6	123 96
Case 7	161 90
Case 8	42 81
Case 9	75 34
Case 10	10 00
	-----
	\$ 1,698 10
Due Administrator	\$ 150 00

#### Veterans Aid

Appropriation	\$500 00
Expended:	
Case 1	\$ 195 00

#### Memorial Day

Appropriation	\$300 00
Expended:	
Woodman	\$ 22 50
Amherst Band	50 00
Arthur LaPointe	175 00
	-----
	\$ 247 50

#### Fourth of July

Appropriation	\$300 00
Expended:	
Band	\$ 300 00
Ad	7 00
	-----
	\$ 307 00

#### Mapping

Appropriation	\$ 750 00
Income	295 20
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	\$1,045 20
Expended:	
James Sewell Co.	\$ 715 20

**Brick School**

Appropriation	\$2,645 00
Rental Income	1,405 00
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	\$4,050 00
Expended:	
janitor	\$ 1,080 00
Repairs	582 98
Rubbish	56 00
Utilities	326 85
Misc. Exp.	17 00
Supplies	151 10
Oil	760 45
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	\$ 2,974 38

**Communication Center**

Appropriation	\$6,250 00
Expended:	

    Town of Milford \$ 6,740 76

**Hydrant Rental**

Appropriation	\$1,875 00
Expended:	
Town of Milford	\$ 120 00
Town of Amherst	1,755 00
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	\$ 1,875 00

**Interest**

Appropriation	\$ 6,000 00
Income	4,471 60
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	\$10,471 60

Expended:  
    Souhegan National Bank \$ 5,633 68

**Grader Fund**

Appropriation	\$3,000 00
Due from Town	\$3,000 00

**Precinct Tax**

Appropriation	\$1,654 47
Expended:	
Amherst Village District	\$ 1,654 47

**General Expense**

Appropriation	\$11,800 00
Income	5,672 11
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Expended	\$17,472 11
	\$ 20,222 22

**Article No. 11 — 1972**

Appropriation	\$1,962 77
Expended	\$ 1,962 77

**Article No. 13**

Appropriation	\$8,000 00
Expended	\$ 8,000 00

**Gas Subsidy Account**

Income	\$33,655 93
Expended	\$ 33,628 21

**Winter Maintenance**

Appropriation	\$60,100 00
Income	70 00
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Expended	\$60,170 00
	\$ 67,268 28

**Summer Maintenance**

Appropriation	\$26,800 00
Income	1,375 76
	-----
Expended	\$28,175 76
	\$ 28,162 94

**Oiling**

Appropriation	\$27,600 00
Income	107 55
	-----
	\$27,707 55
Expended	\$ 27,716 79

**Parks & Playgrounds**

Appropriation	\$3,200 00
Expended	\$ 3,210 51

**Cemeteries**

Appropriation	\$3,750 00
Income	4,750 00
	-----
	\$8,500 00
Expended	\$ 8,433 83

**Dump**

Appropriation	\$8,700 00
Income	277 75
	-----
	\$8,977 75
Expended	\$ 8,805 49

**Auto Registration Expenses**

Expended:	
Bernice Boothroyd	\$ 4,576 00
Refunds	283 24
	-----
Total	\$ 4,859 24

**Notes**

Appropriation	\$16,250 00
Expended:	
Herbert Wenzel	\$ 16,250 00

**Article No. 11 of 1971**

Appropriation Balance	\$1,962 77
Expended	\$ 1,962 77

**Special Article No. 1**

Expended	\$ 7,500 00
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**Article No. 14 — Tractor**

Appropriation	\$7,000 00
Expended	\$ 6,939 64

**Article No. 13 — Highways**

Appropriation	\$8,000 00
Expended	\$ 8,000 00

**Article No. 20 — CD Rescue Truck**

Appropriation	\$4,800 00
Expended	\$ 4,800 00

**Article No. 21 — Ambulance Service**

Appropriated	\$2,700 00
Expended	\$ 2,158 60

**Nashua Regional Planning**

Appropriation	\$1,275 00
Expended:	
Dues	\$ 1,151 00

**Contingency Fund**

Appropriation	\$1,800 00
Income	1,317 80
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	\$3,117 80
Expended	\$ 27 37

**Resident Tax**

Expended State of New Hampshire	\$ 13,940 85
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**Yield Taxes**

Expended State of New Hampshire	\$ 421 62
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**County Tax**

Expended County of Hillsborough	\$ 78,178 35
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**Trustees of the Trust Funds**

Balance Due 1971	\$ 37 00
Income	2,200 00
Due Trustees	3,000 00
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	\$5,237 00

Expended:

Trustees of Trust Funds	\$ 2,237 00
Due Trustees (Grader)	3,000 00
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	\$ 5,237 00

**Payroll Account**

Income from Departments	\$132,942 23
Expended	\$132,942 23

**School District of Amherst**

1971-1972 Balance	\$ 593,046 00
1972-1973 Appropriation	760,000 00
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	\$1,353,046 00
Balance Due 1972-1973	\$735,724 81

**Tax Sale Account**

Purchased in Name of Town	\$ 8,304 36
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**Refunds and Abatements**

Expended	\$ 16,465 25
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**Temporary Loans**

Souhegan National Bank	\$500,000 00
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## REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY AGENT

The following is a summarized report of this department's activities during 1972.

### Winter Maintenance — \$67,268.28

The winter maintenance program covers all the Highway Department work from about December first to the middle of March. All road clearing due to snow and ice storms is charged to this account. We have approximately 106 miles of roads to care for with five hired trucks with plows, one Town tractor, three Town trucks, and one grader. We have tried to give school bus routes and areas where children walk to school or to meet buses special attention. We also clear snow from some sidewalks in the village as well as snow removal from both the Wilkins and Clark Schools, the Fire Station, Library, Old Brick School and the Town Hall.

The other main work done in winter consists of cutting trees and brush. Areas where future construction is contemplated are more economically cleared in the winter as it is possible to burn all brush at the site and eliminate costly hauling to the dump area. During the winter of '71-'72 brush and trees were cut on the Dodge Rd., County Rd., Thornton's Ferry Rd. No. 2 and on the Baboosic Lake Rd. when possible.

Sand is being used in larger amounts in order to cut the use of rock salt, in the name of ecology, but this does not save money and it takes longer to make the roads safe for travel. Also, this method of ice control will require more clean-up in the spring than the use of just salt for ice control. The cooperation of the public in the form of reduced speed is also necessary during storm periods in order for this program to work.

### Summer Maintenance — \$28,162.94

All general maintenance from the middle of March to December 1 is covered under this account. Included is the

grading, use of the York rake on 38 gravel roads several times, cutting banks and ditches, spot graveling, the maintenance and replacement of culverts, setting posts, signs, etc. on all roads. Also the maintenance of shoulders throughout the black road system and the machine and hand cutting of brush in the summer.

In 1972 several roads were spot graveled. They were: County Rd., Stearns Rd., Old Milford Rd., Pond Parish Rd., Austin Rd., Dodge Rd., Cricket Cor. Rd., Souhegan Ave., Brook Rd., Mack Hill Rd., Stockwell Rd., Patch Hill Rd. Culverts were replaced on North Meadow Rd., Souhegan Ave., Old Manchester Rd., Dodge Rd., Clark Ave., Pettigale Rd., Spring Rd., Sherburn Dr., Roberge Dr., Old Nashua Rd., Northfield Rd., Williamsburg Dr., and Boston Post Rd., North. Two serious drainage problems were repaired on Windsor Dr. and North Meadow Rd. Brush was cut on approximately 100 miles of road and in some areas this was done a second time. Brush was hand cut on Chestnut Hill Rd., Christian Hill Rd., Brook Rd.

Many hours were spent replacing street signs. The old wooden signs are being replaced by a more durable metal sign with steel posts. Complete replacement of all wooden signs will be accomplished over several years.

### **Oiling — \$27,716.79**

Under this account 20.6 miles of road were re-surfaced with approximately 56,000 gallons of asphalt. The roads were: New Boston Rd., Old Mont Vernon Rd., Boston Post Rd., N., and Mont Vernon Rd., Broadway at Baboosic Lake, Christian Hill Rd., Eaton Rd., Green Rd., Merrimack Rd. (west end), Miles Rd., North St., Upham Rd., Old Milford Rd., Court House Rd., all village streets, Winding Hollow Rd., Mayher Rd., Eastern Ave., Douglas Dr., Shadow Dr., all Blueberry Hill, Airline Dr., River Rd., Hickory Dr., and Juniper Lane.

The cost of patching all black roads and sweeping of all roads to be re-oiled is covered under this oiling appropriation.

tion. 11,000 gallons of waste oil were applied to gravel roads where dust is a problem.

#### **Town Road Aid – \$12,040.59**

T.R.A. is a program started in 1947 by the State to help towns improve their roads. Money for this account is raised on a 15% town cost and 85% State aid. Supervision is jointly held by the State and the Road Agent. Under this account money was spent on the following roads: Walnut Hill, Christian Hill and Corduroy Rd.

#### **Gas Subsidy – \$34,007.96**

This is a program started in 1971 by the State to help towns improve their roads and the care of their roads. Money for this account is 100% State aid. Projects financed under this account in 1972 were: complete rebuilding of 1700 feet of Broadway at the Lake, 800 feet of Mont Vernon Rd. between the junction of Green Rd. and Secomb Rd., 380 feet Mack Hill Rd. near the junction of Shadow Lane, 420 feet Boston Post Rd., south, by Brown residence, and 450 feet Boston Post Rd., south, by the Yunggbauer residence. Due to adverse weather conditions right after the sealer coat was applied to the two latter projects, we have had some breakdown of the new surface. This will be corrected in the spring.

#### **Article 13 – Road Improvement – \$8,000.00**

Money under this account was spent to apply hot top wearing surface to the 1971 bridge projects on Boston Post Rd., north, and Thornton's Ferry Rd. No. 2, and part of the rebuilding project on Walnut Hill Road.

#### **Parks and Playgrounds – \$3,210.51**

Money under this account is spent to maintain eight town commons, two playgrounds, the Old Brick School yard, Wilkins and Clark School grounds. Some of the work at the Library comes under this account. This work consists of raking and picking up leaves, mowing and trimming the

grass, care of the park fences, and the constant picking up of papers, etc. from the lawns. Town trash barrels are placed in these areas during the summer and have helped keep our village picked up. Also, mowing of the Little League ball field outside the regular playgrounds comes under this account.

In 1972 some maintenance work was done at Baboosic Lake and at the Spaulding Playground. The area around the backstop, which by the way, was completely rebuilt by the town softball team, was graded and a new drainage pipe installed. Also, all the brush was cut around the playground, all stone walls sprayed several times for poison ivy, and the field was given an application of 10-10-10.

#### **Cemeteries – \$8,433.83**

Money for this account was spent to maintain the four cemeteries: Meadowview, The Old Cemetery by the Town Hall, Cricket Corner and the Chestnut Hill Cemetery. Some of the work accomplished this year other than the regular raking, mowing and trimming of all cemeteries was the rebuilding of lots, resetting stones, resetting granite curb, grading depressions and trimming of trees at Meadowview. The fence at Meadowview required repair as did the fence at Cricket Corner. Special attention was given 35 perpetual care lots and funds for this work was received from the Perpetual Care Fund. Finally, the new area at Meadowview Cemetery was fertilized with 10-10-10, and the cemetery at Chestnut Hill was given an application of lime.

#### **Dumps – \$8,805.49**

Money from this account paid for the custodian's time, the hiring of a bulldozer several times during the year, and the constant hauling of gravel to cover the dump driving area. We had a serious rodent problem this summer and this was cared for by the J. P. Chemical Co. We have found that the fire danger has decreased greatly with the presence of a custodian.

The present dumping area will be sufficient for 18 more months, until our new dump facility is set up and in operation.

I would like you, the taxpayer, to know that your highway department is doing everything possible to give you good service and to keep the cost of operation down. With this in mind, we have purchased a new dump truck, the cost of which comes out of equipment rental in our operations budget and will result in a savings of approximately \$2,700.00 per year over renting a privately owned vehicle. We have also asked for a new grader to replace our present machine, it having reached the normal life expectancy of a grader.

In closing this report, I would like to thank the Selectmen and the Road Commission for their guidance and help in 1972, and the taxpayers of Amherst for their support of the Department's programs. Any comments and suggestions on how your Highway Department can better serve you are welcomed.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD G. CROCKER,  
Highway Agent

## AMHERST FIRE DEPARTMENT Annual Report

The following is a summary of the Amherst Fire Department's activities in 1972:

The Amherst Fire Department responded to 59 calls during the year, of which four were major structural fires.

### Amherst Fire Calls:

House	4	Dryer	1
Brush	9	Auto Accidents	5
Auto	10	Dump	5
Chimney	2	Lost Children	2
Oil Burner	4	Resuscitator	1
Washing Machine	2	Misc.	12

We received mutual aid 6 times and went out of town twice.

The Amherst Fire Department is made up of three engine companies, and listed below are their officers:

#### Engine One:

Captain Marshall Strickland  
Lt. Joe Luongo

#### Engine Two:

Captain David Sliney  
Lt. David Herlihy

#### Engine Three:

Captain Robert Hall  
Lt. Mike Riccitelli

We have two other trucks in service:

#### Engine Four:

A 1960 International 4-wheel drive brush fire truck  
put together by and financed by the Amherst firemen.

#### Engine Five:

A military surplus vehicle was obtained through our  
Civil Defense Department at no cost to the town.  
The 10-wheel drive vehicle has now been converted  
to a 2,000-gallon tanker.



The department has gone through its second year training program put on by the State of New Hampshire Fire Training Department. The following subjects were part of the 10-week program: forcible entry, ventilation, dry and wet hose evolution, knot-tying skills, salvage procedure, ladder use and first aid. This is an invaluable training program, and our town benefits by our department's increasing knowledge and fire fighting procedure.

It is most important that Emergency telephone numbers are left in a conspicuous place:

FIRE                    673-3131

POLICE                673-1414

These numbers are manned 24 hours a day by our Communications Center in Milford, New Hampshire.

The wards would like to thank our Selectmen, Barbara

Landry, and our townspeople for the support and help they have given us throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,  
DAVID HANLON, Chief  
RICHARD CROCKER  
EDWARD HOUCK

### *Fire Warden's Report*

In New Hampshire, forest fire control is a cooperative State-town program. The Town Forest Fire Warden, appointed by the Director, Division of Resources Development upon recommendation of the Selectmen and the State's District Forest Fire Chief is responsible for fire suppression and other related duties. The State shares equally with the town in the cost of most forest fires, except illegal and careless fires, which are charged to the responsible party. The State further provides fire detection services, prevention programs, fire training for town wardens and crews, and back up equipment for fire suppression.

By authority of the State, the Town Forest Fire Warden controls all outside burning in his town except backyard cooking fires. Any person wishing to kindle a fire when the ground is not covered with snow must obtain a fire permit, free of cost, from the Town Forest Fire Warden. No permits will be issued for fires between 9:00 a. m. and 5:00 p. m. unless it is raining, except for commercial purposes.

Please be careful when using fire, remember it can be an extremely useful tool when under control but once allowed to run wild it can become a disastrous and devastating force. Only you can prevent a forest fire.

Number of fires reported and acres burned — 1972 season:

State	410 fires	361 acres burned
District	79 reported	45 $\frac{3}{4}$
Town	6	1 $\frac{3}{4}$

DAVID HANLON, Forest Fire Warden  
WINTHROP H. HANNAFORD, District Chief

## AMHERST POLICE DEPARTMENT

### Incidents reported:

Accidents	122
Assaults	5
Blackmail	2
Burglaries	29
Death Reports	3
Dog Complaints	66
False Pretenses	1
Found Property	14
Fraudulent Check	5
Larceny	66
Lost Property	5
Malicious Damage	50
Miscellaneous	223
Missing Persons	17
Nuisance Phone Calls	21
Recovered Stolen Vehicles	6
Stolen Vehicles	3
Suspicious Fires	2
Towed Vehicles	9
Trespassing Stock	1
Truants	7
Use of Firearms by Police	6

### Arrests made:

Assault	4
AWOL	1
Blackmail	1
Burglary	5
Derisive Words	1
Driving While Intoxicated	10
Drunk in Public	10
Fail to Honor a Summons	3
Fraudulent Check	1
Furnishing Alcohol to a Minor	1

Being knowingly present where a controlled drug is kept	2
Larceny	4
Minor in possession of alcohol	15
Minor purchasing alcohol	1
Minor transporting alcohol	3
Operating after revocation	1
Possession of a controlled drug	2
Resisting Arrest	1
Service of Bench Warrants, Capias, and Commitment Papers	4
Stolen Car	1
Trespassing Stock	1

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673-4900. This number rings in our office in the town hall. If no one is there it also rings at the Milford Police Station, where a Milford Officer will take your message and relay it by radio to an Amherst Officer on patrol in Amherst.

Our most noticeable accomplishment in 1972 has to be our move to our new quarters in the town hall. The renovation was partly funded with a federal grant from the Governor's Commission on Crime and Delinquency. Our new offices are attractive, roomy and present a business-like atmosphere. You are invited to drop in for a visit.

Our statistics indicate a slight decline in the accident rate, and we hope some credit can be given to our well marked cruisers on patrol and a summons now and then to the impatient driver. Although the difference between the amount of collisions last year and this year is a decline of only 17, we feel this is significant in view of our rapid population increase.

Our biggest police problem in terms of expense to Amherst residents is probably burglaries. In 1971 we had 30 burglaries reported to us and made only 3 arrests for burglary. In 1972 we had 29 burglaries reported but made 5 arrests for burglary. Although the rate is remaining rela-

tively the same, even with our growth, our arrest rate for that offense is increasing slightly.

Education for our officers is an item appearing for the first time in this annual report. During 1972, full and part time officers both spent 43 full days on training programs sponsored by the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Council at no expense to the town. Topics include Fingerprinting, Supreme Court Decisions, Dangerous Drugs, Alcohol Problems, Juveniles and Forensic Medicine. Our officers are supplementing these programs by taking college level, police oriented courses at St. Anselm's College.

Looking forward to our department's continued growth in 1973, I thank the men and women of our organization for that extra effort that they put forth on such a routine basis. All of us express our appreciation for the support we receive from both the elected officials and the voters of our town of Amherst.

JAMES F. TINKER, JR.,  
Chief of Police

## TOWN OF AMHERST, NEW HAMPSHIRE

### REPORT OF THE CEMETERY TRUSTEES For the Calendar Year 1972

	Savings Account	Checking Account	Total
Balance, December 31, 1971	\$4,938.04	\$ 284.74	\$5,222.78
1972 Income:			
Interest	222.29		
Sales of Lots		1,100.00	
Cemetery Services		587.00	
Balance, December 31, 1972	\$5,160.33	\$1,971.74	\$7,132.07

Respectfully submitted,  
ELLIOT P. LYON  
EDWARD J. MARCHILDON  
DAVID T. RAMSAY  
Cemetery Trustees

**Report of the Common Trust Fund Investments of the Town of Amherst, N. H., on Dec. 31, 1972**

No. of Shares or Other Units	Description of Investment	PRINCIPAL				Market Value Dec. 31, 1972	Income During Year
		Balance Beginning Year	Additions Purchase	Capital Gains	Proceeds From Sales	Gains or Losses Sales	
<b>PRINCIPAL INVESTMENTS</b>							
1275	Broad Street Investment Corporation	\$ 13,562.87		\$1,002.83		\$ 14,565.20	\$ 21,075.55
3333	Chemical Fund, Inc.	12,580.60		1,633.00		14,213.60	41,300.72
951	Fidelity Fund, Inc.	11,161.73		225.12	\$ 9.06	11,377.79	17,536.44
43	The Manchester Corporation						
3067	National Investors Corporation	10,408.59		890.30		11,298.89	32,597.88
547	F. Rowe Price Growth Stock Fund, Inc.	9,729.17		337.63		10,066.85	18,220.80
1491	Puritan Fund, Inc.	13,302.32		462.72	.57	13,764.47	124,600.80
	Amoskeag Savings Bank	10,000.00				10,000.00	756.57
	Concord Savings Bank	2,000.00				10,000.00	550.90
	The Manchester Bank	15,000.00				15,000.00	121.45
	Manchester Federal Savings and Loan Association	2,000.00				15,000.00	790.93
	Merchants Savings Bank	2,000.00				2,000.00	113.87
	New Hampshire Savings Bank	5,255.07				2,000.00	120.77
	Souhegan National Bank	3,800.00				5,255.07	304.72
	U.S. Treas. Bds. \$35,000 - 4 1/4 - 1974	31,685.00	\$35,000.00	9.63		34,473.27	3,800.00
	U.S. Treas. Bds. \$35,000, 6 5/8, 1982	534.70				2,788.27	35,000.00
	<b>TOTAL PRINCIPAL INVESTMENTS</b>	<b>\$143,020.05</b>	<b>\$35,009.63</b>	<b>\$4,551.15</b>	<b>\$35,009.63</b>	<b>\$150,359.47</b>	<b>\$34,737.50</b>
<b>INCOME INVESTMENTS</b>							
542	Fidelity Fund, Inc.	\$ 6,441.68		\$128.40		\$ 6,558.02	\$ 9,994.48
24	The Manchester Corporation	5,191.17	\$ 238.46			\$ 1,100.00	\$ 404.82
	The Manchester Bank	13,863.65				5,429.63	451.12
2336	National Dividend Series Fund	\$ 25,596.50	\$ 238.46			14,133.97	238.46
	<b>TOTAL INCOME INVESTMENTS</b>	<b>\$168,616.55</b>	<b>\$35,248.09</b>	<b>\$4,952.43</b>	<b>\$35,024.25</b>	<b>\$26,221.62</b>	<b>\$9,951.36</b>
	<b>TOTAL COMMON TRUST FUND INVESTMENTS</b>					<b>\$2,788.27</b>	<b>\$7,792.50</b>

**Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Amherst, N. H., on December 31, 1972**

## **TREE COMMITTEE REPORT — 1972**

In 1972, the Tree Committee carried on much the same activities as in past years, namely; spraying of elms and spruce for disease and insect control; planting to replace dead trees and shrubs; trimming and other tree care; removal of dead and dying trees; and blanket fertilization of all the commons.

In addition, all newly-planted trees and shrubs were watered regularly throughout the summer, and over 60 stumps of trees cut in earlier years were removed by chipping. This job not only improves the looks of the commons and streets but also eliminates a hazard to pedestrians and to mowing equipment.

Thanks are due to the Library and to several citizens who supplied us with the water for the care of the trees and shrubs planted last spring.

In 1973, the Committee plans to emphasize the removal of dying trees and their replacement where feasible, to fertilize and bark-mulch all trees and shrubs planted within the past several years, to spray and prune where necessary, and to get up to date on stump removal.

January 22, 1973

**EUGENE I. ROE, Chairman**  
**H. R. BERLACK**  
**J. G. SESSLER**  
**E. C. MASTEN, Ex Officio**

**PROPOSED BUDGET OF  
AMHERST TREE COMMITTEE 1973**

Item	1972	Proposed 1973
1. Spraying	\$ 400	\$ 400
2. Planting	600	600
3. Tree care and trimming	700	1. 1,000
4. Tree removal	800	2. 900
5. Commons fertilizing	500	3. 600
6. Blister rust control	150	4.
Total	3,150	3,500

1. Increase will be used for bark-mulching all recently planted trees.
2. Increase is for expected heavier loss from Dutch elm disease.
3. Increase plus other funds from this item is planned for fertilizing all planted trees on the commons.
4. No longer required by state.

December 6, 1972

EUGENE I. ROE,  
Chairman, Tree Committee

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY

(In compliance with Revised Statutes Annotated 202-A:12)  
Financial Report — The report of the Treasurer is appended.

Building and Grounds — In 1972 the expenditures were for improvement and maintenance.

The year 1972 can be summed up in one word: growth. With 556 new patrons, the staff has been called upon to go even beyond their past devotion, dedication and efforts to serve the needs of the community. The Johnson Meeting Room has been used extensively by town organizations and groups. The copying machine has proven popular and useful. The welcomed gift by the Women's Association of the Congregational Church of a record player and ear phones and the purchase of many new records have now made it possible for patrons to listen to music in the library.

Mrs. Patricia Cannaday resigned in April, and Mrs. Sally Suomala replaced her on the staff. Also in April, the Friends of the Library held their annual Membership Coffee. In May Mr. Johnson, trustee treasurer, was named "Trustee of the Year" by the New Hampshire Library Trustee Association, an honor richly deserved.

June saw the annual second-hand Book and Bake Sale by the Friends, which was most successful. The proceeds went towards bringing the Boston Children's Theatre Stage-mobile for two performances on the village green in August.

There was a successful Summer Reading Program for the Amherst children, ending with a party which included movies, using the library's film projector.

An anonymous donor has presented the library with ten copies of pictures by famous artists. These are framed and may be taken out for a month by the patrons. His generosity is much appreciated.

The end of 1972 brought the renovation of the mezzanine, with new book shelves, rug and chairs. When completed it is to be used by those who wish to spend time in research and serious study.

The library is now open additional hours, including Wednesday mornings.

The Friends of the Library, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Richard Martini, have again supplied the weekly Story Hour, flowers and Christmas decorations, a weekly book discussion group, book-mending, a Community Calendar and exhibits in the display case. They also gave a luncheon of appreciation for all the volunteers. The Friends' Board includes Mrs. Martini, Mrs. John Keefe, secretary, Mrs. James Enright, treasurer, Mrs. Harry Slade, Mrs. Paul Dudley, Mrs. John Reed, Mrs. Charles Bacon, Mrs. Robert Alberts, Mrs. Leland Gray, Mrs. Thomas O'Riordan, Mrs. William Ritchie and Mrs. Charles Houston.

Mrs. David Ramsay, Mrs. William Lyle and Betty Watson have again served as the Book Selection Committee, and they are to be thanked for excellence and discrimination of their choices.

The trustees also wish to thank the Friends for their continued interest and many contributions of time, effort and gifts.

Above all, the trustees are grateful to Betty Watson, our librarian, and her staff of Mrs. Cecelia Clough, Mrs. Marion Williston, Mrs. Sally Suomala, and the page, Susan Osborne. This has been a demanding year, and they have served the library and community above and beyond the call of duty!

KATHLEEN WARE, Chairman  
ANN KEEFE  
ELIZABETH LYLE  
LUCY RAMSAY  
BENJAMIN G. BUNDY  
E. DANIEL JOHNSON

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Circulation statistics for the year 1972 are as follows:

Adult Fiction	15,287
Adult Non-fiction	9,981
Juvenile	18,780
Magazines	3,487
Art Prints	34
Records	3,836
Inter-library loans to fill special requests	544
Loans to non-residents using State-wide Library Card	583
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Grand Total	52,532

This is an increase in circulation of 6,108 over 1971.  
556 new patrons were registered.

During 1972 we added by purchase and gifts a total of 966 new books, exclusive of paperbacks. We discarded 217 worn out or out-dated books, bringing our total collection to 12,541.

Our record collection contains a total of 521 titles, including 443 for adult and teen-age patrons and 78 for children.

Our total paid magazine order has been increased to 41 by the addition of the following 9 new magazines for the coming year: "American Artist," "Business Week," "Camping Magazine," "Craft Horizon," "Motor Boating and Sailing," "Popular Electronics," "Popular Science Monthly," "Senior Scholastic," and "Smithsonian."

We hope that these titles will reflect the varied business, school and leisure time interests of our many patrons. We also receive regularly as gifts 12 additional magazines, for which we would like to express our thanks.

To supplement our collection during the past year, we had on loan from the State Bookmobile a total of 2,777 books and records. The breakdown on these was as follows:

Adult Fiction	478
Adult Non-fiction	569
Juvenile	1,703
Records	27

During 1972 we increased our hours open per week by 5½ hours, for a total of 36 hours open each week. Currently our hours are:

Monday	1 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday	1 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Wednesday	10 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Thursday	1 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Friday	1 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

The popular Summer Reading Program was again held for a six-week period, with 93 children actively participating. A total of 976 books were read and reported on, and 65 children completed the required 6 books to attend the Film Show and Party held in the Johnson Meeting Room on September 23.

Our staff is continuing to take advantage of the 10-week Public Library Techniques Courses offered on an extension basis at Durham, Keene and Plymouth. In the Spring of 1972 Mrs. Clough and Mrs. Williston successfully completed the course in reference work called "The Library as an Information Center," and Mrs. Sally Suomala, our newest library assistant, completed the same course in the Fall.

We are indeed grateful for the many programs, services, gifts and loyal support we continue to receive from the Friends of the Library organization. Their participation in the library activities has enriched, strengthened and expanded the library's overall usefulness to the citizens of Amherst.

We also want to thank our hard-working and far-sighted Board of Trustees, whose guidance, direction and wise policy-making decisions enable us to continue to grow and serve Amherst.

Respectfully submitted,  
BETTY S. WATSON, Librarian

**AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY**  
**TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1972**  
**January 3, 1973**

**INCOME:**

General Fund Balance Jan. 5, 1972	\$ 463 78
Gift for expenses, A.A.U.W.	10 00
Town Trust Funds	900 11
Gifts for stereo, books, & magazines	440 03
Warren Book Fund	178 24
Fines	3,691 51
Town Appropriation	18,850 00
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	\$24,533 67
Expenses as listed below	<hr/>
	22,157 99
Checking Account balance Jan. 1, 1973	\$ 2,375 68

**EXPENSES AND BUDGET**

	1972 Expenses	1973 Budget
Salaries —		
Librarians	\$12,235 50	\$15,460 00
Custodian	880 50	1,200 00
Books:—		
From Town Budget	3,200 00	3,200 00
Warren Fund	150 85	
Fines	1,726 05	
Gifts	90 03	
Total for Books	(5,166 93)	
Magazines from Budget & Gifts	316 40	250 00
Records	235 85	250 00
Supplies and bindings	546 21	550 00
Bldg. and Grnds.	348 62	400 00
Phone	303 18	330 00
Lights	764 77	820 00
Heat	841 79	900 00
Stereo (from gifts)	275 00	
Miscellaneous	247 24	250 00
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	\$22,157 99	\$23,610 00

**Allocation of Funds in Checking Account:—**

Cash balance general account	\$ 380 83
Sam and Alys Warren Book Fund balance	27 39
Balance Fines account	1,965 46
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	\$ 2,375 68

We request a Town Appropriation for 1973	\$22,380 00
Expected from Trust Funds	849 17
Balance in general account	380 83
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	\$23,610 00

E. DANIEL JOHNSON, Treasurer

**BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT**

Cash balance Jan. 31, 1972	\$ 1,075 85
From Manchester Bank Savings Acct.:	
Mary B. Upham gift fund	675 44
Fannie E. Weston gift fund	183 96
Bank dividends	143 32
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	\$ 2,078 57

**Spent:**

Meeting Room Draperies	\$ 212 00
Back boundary fence	118 10
Catalog File	71 55
Rug for Mezzanine	262 50
Book Cases for Mezzanine	1,165 20
24 additional meeting room chairs	249 22
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	\$ 2,078 57

Account now closed.

**Funds in the Manchester Bank savings account:**

Anna H. Mosher	\$ 800 00
Honora Spaulding	500 00
Jennifer Carlsmith Memorial	130 02
Laura E. and James F. Wanless Memorial	667 44
Balance accumulated dividends	842 52
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Total in Manchester Bank	\$ 2,939 98

## **AUDITORS' REPORT**

We have examined the accounts of the following Town Officers: Selectmen, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Road Agent, Trustees of Trust Funds, Treasurer of Library, and find them correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

**ORSON H. BRAGDON  
STEPHEN NOBLE**

## 1972 REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Board of Adjustment held fifteen meetings during the year 1972. Twenty-three cases were submitted, twelve for Special Exception, eight for Variances, and three for Rehearings. Two cases were withdrawn before being presented.

The action on the twenty-one cases was as follows:

Granted: Five Special Exceptions; six Variances.

Denied: One Special Exception; six Variances; three motions for Case Rehearings.

### BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Roger M. Brown, Chmn.

Howard W. Boothroyd, V. Chmn.

Russell T. Steeves, Jr., Sec'y.

Thomas C. Carson, Member

Arnold C. Dickinson, Member

## REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIAL for Year 1972

Type of Building	Number	Value
New Dwellings	117	\$3,935,600
Additions and Alterations	80	250,649
Detached Garages	16	45,200
Non-residential Structures	8	227,540
Utility Out Buildings	10	8,175
Pools	13	42,600
Horse Barns	4	3,800
Home Occupations	7	900
Signs	7	
Miscellaneous	7	
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Totals	269	\$4,514,564
Total 1971	306	\$4,863,044

## PLANNING BOARD REPORT FOR 1972

This year the Planning Board undertook as its major projects a rezoning study of the entire Town and the establishment of a Wetland Conservation District.

As a result of the study the Board recommended changes to the zoning map and zoning ordinance Town of Amherst, to be presented for a vote of the town as articles in the Town Warrant.

The thanks of the Planning Board go to the AD-HOC Committee: Meric Arnold, Jan Beauvais, John Melrose, Betsy Searle and Harold H. Wilkins, Jr. Without the help of this committee it would have been impossible for your Planning Board to have completed this study.

It is the hope of the Planning Board to do a complete land use study of the Town of Amherst next year, with funds to be made available from the New England Regional Commission.

CHESTER B. McGRATH, JR., Chairman  
GORDON E. PULLAR, Secretary  
JAMES E. ENRIGHT  
CHARLES H. HOOD  
ROBERT F. JACKSON  
OLIVER F. MERRILL  
EDWARD C. MASTEN, Selectman, Ex-officio

## REPORT OF THE AMHERST CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Amherst Conservation Commission had a Fourth of July exhibit on the common and, as usual, sponsored two young people at the state conservation camp.

Our major emphasis in 1972 was a physical one. The Plumb Memorial Forest on Chestnut Hill was opened to the use of the townspeople. The highway department constructed a parking lot there. With the help of adult and youthful friends of conservation, we built a bridge across a marshy area and marked and cleared several trails. On the Joe English Reservation with similar assistance we added a bridge across Clean Brook and swamped out trails. Both areas are serving a growing number of local citizens.

We have attempted no improvements on our other two major holdings. The Sherburne land, which has great potential because of its prime location along the Souhegan River, will become more readily accessible once the new school is built on the town property abutting it. Any development of the Great Meadow (opposite Wilkins School) will be costly, yet in its present state it helps protect the village water supply and provides near the village center a prime wildlife area. Perhaps most important, both pieces are safely in town ownership.

The conservation commission now manages about 200 acres for the town; we have added none in two years. In 1973 our emphasis must be the further acquisition of land through purchase or gift.

A frightening amount of Amherst's open land — one of the major attractions and satisfactions of our town — is already in the hands of developers, especially the prime building sites. We know that time is extremely short for the commission to acquire more open space to be preserved for present and future enjoyment. Nonetheless, if we act promptly, we can obtain still available land that would make very desirable conservation areas.

While we have been and are now conducting quiet

negotiations with several owners, we have been handicapped by lack of money. We are deeply grateful for past financial support provided by private individuals and groups, yet we strongly doubt that the exclusive use of such sources would be sufficient in the future. We believe, moreover, that what benefits the town as a whole should be funded primarily by the town.

Through an article in the 1973 warrant, we are therefore asking the active and financial support of the town. We urge your acceptance of it, and we of course also urge your support of the planning board's article on wetlands zoning.

HARRY R. MITIGUY, Co-chairman

HERBERT I. HARDING, Co-chairman

ALICE E. ARNOLD

CHARLES L. BACON

DONALD T. EGER

CHESTER M. HALL

ELIZABETH G. HALL

### **AMHERST HISTORICAL DISTRICT COMMISSION**

The Historic District Commission received a total of sixteen permits during the year 1972. The permit applications were as follows: 1 new house; 6 additions to present structures; 2 exterior renovations; 2 detached garages; 1 demolish old structure; 2 sign permits; 2 use, of which one was denied.

There was some concern over the boundaries of the Historic District, thus resulting in a District Map, now available in the Zoning Administration office.

Two resignations were received in 1972. They were Allen Howard and Ronald Nadeau.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD M. HOUCK, Chairman

JOHN ENRIGHT

CHARLES HOOD

BEVERLY EAGER

DR. HARRY MUELLER

## ROAD COMMISSION REPORT

1972 was another busy year for the Highway Department. The added number of miles of new roads, as well as the increasing amount of traffic over the existing roads makes maintenance of these roads much more costly. Road and bridge improvements on dangerous and low-grade sections of highways make these problem areas less costly to maintain as well as to reduce the possibility of accidents in the area.

The yearly increasing number of miles of road that has to be maintained by the Highway Department, as well as the demand by the public for well maintained roads, means that more men and equipment will have to be added to the Highway Department to do the job, as years go by.

We would also like to point out to the citizens of Amherst the excellent job the Road Agent, Richard Crocker, is doing for the Town.

MERIC G. ARNOLD  
HAROLD C. WARNER  
EVERETT A. LEACH

## AMHERST RECREATION COMMISSION

The rapid growth of Amherst plus the demand for increased recreational activities necessitated the formation of several (4) sub-committees to the Recreation Commission during the past highly successful year. Each of these sub-committees operated under the supervision of the Recreation Commission and each concerned itself with the following activities:

1. The Junior Baseball Committee directed the activities of the Junior Baseball program in which 250 boys played on 14 teams in 3 leagues. Games were held 3 days a week for boys ages 5-13 years. An all-star team played other towns at the end of the regular season.

2. The Baboosic Lake Committee organized and directed a highly successful program at the new Baboosic Lake Town Park. Special mention must be made that over 1,300 residents purchased admission badges which permitted them to use swimming facilities; that a highly successful series of social events for youngsters and adults was conducted during the summer in the pavilion, highlighted by dances on the 4th of July and Labor Day; a well-attended program of Friday night youth dances; a family cook-out in July for 150 residents; a fine first year athletic program, which saw over 200 children participate in the Red Cross swimming program in June; the first Amherst Town Swim Team, which competed against neighboring town teams and clubs; a volleyball program; a water polo program and the first Annual Amherst Swimming Championship for local youngsters as a part of the 4th of July program.

### 3. The Development Committee

Worked on future planning and development of additional recreational facilities in Amherst; worked to raise money for the forthcoming construction of additional recreational facilities on town-owned land alongside Jones Road; and began initial plans for the establishment of a trust fund which will provide residents with the means to donate to future recreational facilities.

In addition to the activities listed above, other programs held during the year were the "Biddy League" basketball program which, in this second year, had over 100 boys play 2 games a week at Wilkins School; a winter volleyball program for adults and teenagers; an adult basketball program, and a winter outdoor hockey program at Baboosic Lake.

A newly formed soccer league, in which 70 boys and girls participated 2 nights a week during July and August, continuation of the highly successful tennis lesson program on the Town courts and softball games for over sixty girls two evenings a week during the Spring rounded out the summer programs. Once again, thanks to the efforts of Erik Brown, the young people enjoyed free skating during the winter months at the rink across from the Post Office.

In this short report it is impossible to list all of those people who have so generously given of their time and effort to make these programs so successful. Listing some would risk the probability of not mentioning others who have contributed in like manner. However, the Recreation Commission would like to make special mention of the outstanding contribution made by Herbert Wenzel to the activities at the Baboosic Lake Town Park. Without Mr. Wenzel's advice and assistance throughout the year, the highly successful programs at Baboosic Lake would never have been accomplished.

NANCY COOK, Chairman  
SUE BLAKEMAN  
PETER GEORGE  
ANN HOPKINS  
WILLIAM JOHNSON

## SELECTMEN'S NARRATIVE - 1972

We respectfully submit to you our report on administrative activities and progress within the Town for 1972.

Once again the evidence is clear that Amherst is still a growing community. The rate of annual new home construction continues at over 100 units. Most certain evidence is the designation of Amherst, Merrimack and Milford as New Hampshire's "Community Growth Center" by Governor Peterson. This makes available certain Federal Funds amounting to \$150,000.00 that may be distributed to the participating communities for 1973. As required by the plan, our Town has already appointed a committee to function as a part of the whole committee of the participating Towns.

Relating to this continued growth you will notice increases in most areas of the Town Budget proposal for 1973. Most significant of these increases is the Police Budget. Our full time department now has 2 years experience and it is abundantly clear that its scope and personnel must be increased to provide even minimum services to a community of over 6300 residents. We strongly urge your approval of this and other proposed increases in order to maintain our stature as an efficient and respected Town.

In spite of increases in both Town and School District appropriations for 1972, the tax rate increased only .80. This was accomplished by approximately a 15% increase in the tax base due to construction growth and the continuing process of updating assessed values. We expect the rate to increase more, however, in 1973 due to the new school building program. Expected increases in 1973 budget requirements will be somewhat softened by the use of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds. These funds will total approximately \$43,000 for 1973 and we have already invested at interest the \$22,000 which have been received to date. Expenditures of these funds must be approved by the Town. Elsewhere in the Town Report you will find our recommen-

dation for the use of these monies and we urge your approval.

Changes and new services within the Town this year include the following:

The police department has moved to new quarters in the Town Hall, they are modern and attractive and this is one more step towards centralizing town functions.



On September first 1972 the cooperative efforts of the Selectmen of the towns of Amherst, Brookline, Lyndeboro, Milford, Mont Vernon and Wilton to provide Emergency Ambulance Service became a reality when the United Ambulance Service of Nashua answered the first emergency call.

The contract between United Ambulance Service and

the six individual towns was for 16 months duration September 1, 1972 to December 31, 1973 and the cost of providing the equipment, crew, station and standby service to be borne by the individual towns on a prorata basis using the 1970 census figures. Amherst share is \$539.65 per month or \$6,475.80 per year. This represents 28.1% of the total base cost of providing 24 hour emergency ambulance service for the six towns. This cost insures that such service is available. In addition each individual using the service is charged \$30.00 plus \$1.00 per patient mile. The towns assume no liability for such charges.

The following table of ambulance calls answered indicates the urgent need to provide such service:

#### **Emergency Ambulance Service Calls and Transfers – 1972**

Town and Cause	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
<b>Amherst:</b>					
Auto Accidents	1	1	2	2	6
Heart Attacks	4	2	1	3	10
Home Accidents	4	1	0	0	5
Sickness	3	2	0	0	5
Fires	0	0	0	2	2
Transfers	0	4	0	2	6
<b>Totals</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>Brookline:</b>					
Emergency	3	4	1	1	9
<b>Lyndeboro:</b>					
Emergency	0	1	0	3	4
<b>Milford:</b>					
Emergency	27	14	11	15	67
Transfers	7	2	0	10	19
<b>Totals</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>86</b>

Mont Vernon					
Emergency	4	0	0	0	4
Wilton					
Emergency	14	5	5	8	32
Transfers	0	1	0	0	1
Totals	14	6	5	8	33
Total Emergencies			144		
Total Transfers			26		
			170		

Using the funds appropriated last year from Article 20 a completely equipped Rescue Vehicle is now in operation. This unit is manned by volunteers under the direction of Roy Maston, C.D. Director and plans are already completed to provide 20 of these volunteers EMT training during 1973. The Rescue Vehicle is housed in the Fire Station, but operates independently of the Fire Department. Funds for the maintaining of this new service are in the Civil Defense Budget.

A new vehicle has been added to the Fire Department. For \$1.00 the Town purchased a surplus military 10-wheel truck which with existing funds and many hours of volunteer labor the Fire Department members have converted into a 2000 gallon tanker. This has already proven a valuable addition to our fire fighting capabilities.

Next year a cooperative effort between the Board of Selectmen and the School Board will produce dollar savings for the taxpayer heretofore unobtainable. As a direct result of the joint meetings of these Boards the school district expenditures have been aligned more carefully with the Town's annual cash flow. This accomplishment along with the adoption of semi-annual billing should eliminate the cost of borrowing several hundred thousand dollars each year. In this regard the Board urges the adoption of the Article providing for semi-annual tax collection.

Progress in obtaining a suitable site for a sanitary land fill facility and the subsequent readying for its operation

has been slower than we had hoped. The outstanding reason for this lack of progress is the inability to directly negotiate at a reasonable price the acquisition of suitable land. There are presently three areas under consideration and it is possible the selected site will be obtained by "Land Taking Provisions".

Approval of the expenditure of some Federal Revenue Sharing funds to obtain this goal will be sought at Town Meeting. A Special Town Meeting in May or June 1973 is anticipated to present final plans for approval. Any success achieved in this area is largely attributable to the Air Pollution Control Committee under the chairmanship of Mr. Joseph Harrison.

Our expectations for success of the new Baboosic Lake Recreation facility were far exceeded. The first year of operation proved its wide acceptance by all ages and income indicating it could become self-sustaining in several years. The recreation budget for this year supports this conclusion. The Board extends an appreciative "Thank You" to Mrs. Nancy Cook and her entire committee for the tremendous job they have done.

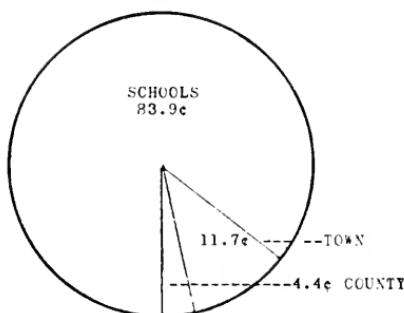
As the Town grows so does the activity in the Town Hall. So much so that the Board has established plans to convert the old kitchen into a Selectmen's Office during 1973. Once accomplished this should restore a more business like atmosphere in the front area and permit the Selectmen to accomplish their tasks with less interruption.

In conclusion the Board wishes to express its thanks to all department heads, committee chairmen and other officers and volunteers for their devotion and unselfish contribution to their community. Amherst is a truly great town only because its people are great.

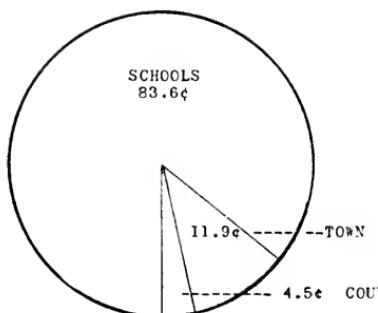
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EDWARD C. MASTEN  
Selectmen

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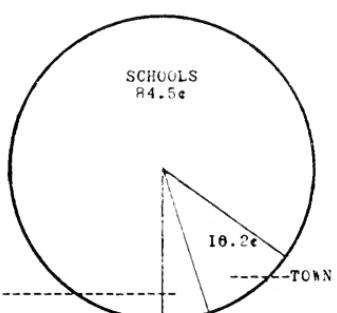
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**AMHERST VILLAGE DISTRICT WARRANT**  
**State of New Hampshire**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Amherst in the County of Hillsborough in said State of New Hampshire and qualified to vote in

**DISTRICT AFFAIRS:**

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Amherst, on Friday, the 9th day of March 1973, at eight o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary District Officers for the ensuing year.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray District charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for same.
3. To see if the District will vote to transfer into Capital Reserve \$1,000.00 from cash surplus remaining at the end of the year.
4. To see if the District will approve painting of tank, cost of this to be drawn from Capital Reserve.
5. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 16th day of February, 1973.

RUFUS I. BROWN  
HOWARD W. BOOTHROYD  
ROGER O. TOPLIFFE  
Commissioners of Amherst Village District

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

RUFUS I. BROWN  
HOWARD W. BOOTHROYD  
ROGER O. TOPLIFFE  
Commissioners of Amherst Village District

## AMHERST VILLAGE DISTRICT

The District now serves 235 subscribers with water, four new homes were added during the year.

The new tank level control system implemented in 1971 has proved exceptionally reliable. There has been no instance of tank overflow since its installation.

The final acceptance test was made on the Oak Hill branch line which completes the District installation. Although a few remaining house lots in the District are potential subscribers there will be no extension of the District since the demand on the well has nearly reached its design capacity as established 21 years ago.

Repayment of \$5000. has reduced the District's indebtedness to \$40,000. It may be of interest to the new families in Amherst that the District is a separate entity and not related to the Town municipality, hence is maintained by a Precinct tax levied only on those homes in the District.

As in the past years, normal annual maintenance of the system has been conducted to insure quality service and water. In addition to the normal regular sampling and testing of the District well water, samples are taken from all brooks in the Village for analysis by the State water Supply and Pollution Control Commission to insure that contaminated water does not infiltrate the well which is in close proximity to Beaver Brook.

Again we extend our appreciation to Edward Marchildon, John Hanlon, Joe Luongo and Kay and Ray Kruger for their sustained interest in maintaining the affairs of the District.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

RUFUS I. BROWN, Chairman  
HOWARD W. BOOTHROYD  
ROGER O. TOPLIFFE

Commissioners for Amherst Village District

AMHERST VILLAGE DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET  
December 31, 1972

Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1972	\$ 13,857 83
Accounts receivable, including December 31 bills	6,348 04
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	\$ 20,205 87
Water System	1,179 60
Land for buildings, wells, pumps, mains, etc.	150,252 71
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	151,432 31
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	\$171,638 18

LIABILITIES

Bonds payable	\$ 40,000 00
Excess of assets over liabilities	131,638 18
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	\$171,638 18

## AMHERST VILLAGE DISTRICT BUDGET

**Estimates of receipts and expenditures for the coming year**  
**January 1, 1973 - December 31, 1973**

**Estimates and actual receipts and expenditures of the previous year**  
**January 1, 1972 - December 31, 1972**

RECEIPTS	Estimated 1972	Received 1972	Estimated 1973
Cash on Hand Jan. 1, 1972	\$ 509.65	\$ 509.65	\$ 949.14
Capital Reserve Funds	10,837.32	10,837.32	12,408.69
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Stock, Manchester Bank	\$11,346.97	\$11,346.97	\$13,357.83
	500.00	500.00	500.00
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	\$11,846.97	\$11,846.97	\$13,857.83
Income Water Service			
Prior Year (4th quarter)	4,400.00	4,400.00	4,476.13
Income Water Service			
Current Year (1st 3 quarters)	5,474.62	6,367.44	6,155.28
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Hydrant Rental	\$ 9,874.62	\$10,767.44	\$10,631.41
Precinct Tax	\$ 1,755.00	\$ 1,755.00	\$ 1,755.00
Other Receipts & Interest	1,401.63	1,654.47	**1,382.34
	400.00	651.47	500.00
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	\$ 3,556.63	\$ 4,060.94	\$ 3,637.34
Total	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$25,278.22	\$26,675.35	\$28,126.58
EXPENDITURES			
Bonds	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Interest	956.25	956.25	843.75
Supt.'s Salary	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,100.00
Ass't. Supt.'s Salary	500.00	500.00	600.00
Tax Collector's Salary	150.00	150.00	200.00
Clerk-Treas.' Salary	800.00	800.00	800.00
Meters & Repairs	1,000.00	1,247.66	1,400.00
Electricity	2,000.00	1,710.19	2,200.00
Operating — Supplies & Maint.	2,000.00	888.69	1,500.00
Office Supplies	250.00	402.73	350.00
Insurance	275.00	162.00	275.00
Cash	509.65	949.14	949.14
Cap. Reserve Funds	10,837.32	12,408.69	12,408.69
Stock	500.00	500.00	500.00
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	\$25,278.22	\$26,675.35	\$28,126.58

\*\*To be raised by taxes 1973 assessed against property **WITHIN THE VILLAGE DISTRICT.**

## SYNOPSIS OF TOWN MEETING

March 7, 1972

Acting under Warrant for Town Meeting, polls were opened at 8:00 A.M. and closed at 7:50 P.M. at the Wilkins School. Ballot clerks were Jane Carozzi, Cele Clough, Carol Fedas, Nancy Topliffe, Evelyn Dudley, Anne Hopkins, Catherine Kruger, Marion Sortevik, Rosamond Buchanan, Kit Fallon, Harriette Jennings and Betty Wight. Giving assistance to voters were Allen Howard, Maxwell MacPherson. Moderator, M. Arnold Wight Jr.; Town Clerk, Bernice G. Boothroyd; School Clerk, Louise Ainsworth; Barbara H. Landry had charge of the voting. Selectmen Elliot P. Lyon and John B. Enright were in attendance throughout the day. Supervisors of checklist were Audrey Spalding, Hazel Henderson, with Beatrice Montgomery filling in for Phyllis Hill.

Results of the election were: Selectman, Edward C. Masten; Town Clerk, Bernice G. Boothroyd; Tax Collector, Barbara H. Landry; Treasurer, Marion M. Sortevik; Trustee of Trust Fund, Harry Mitiguy; Road Agent, Richard G. Crocker; Board of Adjustment, Arnold Dickinson; Auditor, Orson Bragdon; Auditor, Stephen Noble; Library Trustees, E. Daniel Johnson, Ann Keefe.

Summary of Meeting: Article one thru ten were by ballot voting during the day.

Art. 1—Election of Officers as stated above

Art. 2—Home occupation in Residence District from permitted use to use permitted only by Special Exception. Yes—556 No—990

Art. 3—Eliminating home occupation as a permitted use in the Lakeside District. Yes—438 No—1069

Art. 4—Eliminating the right to fill lake frontage to increase lot size. Yes—910 No—660

Art. 5—Home occupation in the Rural Area from a permitted use to a use permitted by Special Exception. Yes—556 No—976

Art. 6—Eliminating Professional offices, hospitals, and funeral homes as uses in Residence District and limit Private Schools uses therein to Primary Schools, Nursery Schools and Kindergartens. Yes—624 No—936

Art. 7—Deleting commercial Recreation uses from the Lakeside District and limiting Private School uses therein to Primary Schools, Nursery Schools and Kindergartens. Yes—626 No—857

Art. 8—Limiting Planned Development to Commercial Use.

Yes—846 No—668

Art. 9—(By Petition) Allowing Tennis and Racquet Clubs to locate in the Residence District by Special Exception. Yes—787 No—844

Art. 10—Amendment to the Constitution. Yes—1164 No—572

Art. 11—Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$353,871.98 for town charges.

Art. 12—Voted to give the Selectmen and Town Treasurer the authority to borrow money in anticipation of taxes with the amendment that the selectmen look into the possibility of double billing and a premium if paid early.

Art. 13—Voted to raise and appropriate \$8000.00 for repair of highway and bridges.

Art. 14—Voted to raise and appropriate \$7000.00 to purchase a 1972 model Tractor, Loader, Mower to replace the 1967 unit.

Art. 15—(By Petition) Voted not to raise and appropriate the sum

of \$3900.00 to pave the remainder of Oak Hill Dr. between Laurel Lane and Dodge Rd.

Art. 16—(By Petition) Voted to designate the following roads as Scenic Roads:

1. Chestnut Hill Rd. from Prokop's driveway to the New Boston line.
2. Eaton Rd. from Christian Hill to Mont Vernon Rd.
3. Green Rd. from Christian Hill to Mont Vernon Rd.
4. Lyndeboro Rd. from N.H. Rte 101 to N.H. Rte 13.
5. Spring Rd. from Bellerose property to Merrimack line.
6. Austin Rd. from Mack Hill to Horace Greeley Rd.
7. Ponemah Hill Rd. from Hollis Rd. to the Milford line.
8. Old Milford Rd. westerly from Rte 101 to Rte 101.
9. Col. Wilkins Rd. from Old Milford Rd. to Merrimack Rd.

Art. 17—(By Petition) Voted not to reopen portion of Col. Wilkins Rd. closed subject to gates and bars from Cadrain Cottage to a point at the south property line of lot 76 on Tax Map—Page 3.

Art. 18—(By Petition) Voted not to change the name of Ravine Rd. to Satan's Ledge Rd.

Art. 19—(By Petition) Voted not to sell the recently purchased property at Baboosic Lake. Ballot Vote Yes—201 No—340

Art. 20—Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4800.00 for a Civil Defense Truck.

Art. 21—Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2700.00 in anticipation of Ambulance Service.

Art. 22—Elliot P. Lyon asked for recognition of J. Merrill Hines, retiring selectman, for his six years of service. He received a standing round of applause. The Ways and Means Comm. were also given a hearty round of applause.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 P.M. with tallying of Presidential Primary and Town Election votes lasting until 5 A.M. Wednesday.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bernice G. Boothroyd, Town Clerk

## Marriages Registered in the Town of Amherst, N. H. For the Year Ending December 31, 1972

<i>Date and Place</i>	<i>Name of Bride and Groom</i>	<i>Name of Officiant</i>
<b>1971</b>		
Aug. 7, Amherst	Michael Lawrence Gerry Sharon Irene Tucker	Rev. John Ward Clergyman
Sept. 1, Amherst	Donald Edwin Hartleb Priscilla Earline Hancock	Rev. John Ward Clergyman
Sept. 4, Mont Vernon	John Burton Cavanaugh, Jr. Brenda Mae Cheever	David E. Svenson Justice of the Peace
Oct. 30, Merrimack	Romeo Wilfred Nevens Mary Theresa Manning	Edwin S. Johnston Justice of the Peace
Nov. 26, Milford	James Talmage Monroe Carole Donna O'Connell	Rev. John J. Lane Priest
<b>1972</b>		
Jan. 8, Hollis	Ben Francis McLaughlin Diane Louise Wainsis	Rev. Philip H. Mitchell Clergyman
Jan. 24, Milford	Kevin Michael McMurray Mary Esther McKay	Rev. John J. Lane Priest
Feb. 19, Milford	David Gerard Knowlton Roxanne Smith	Rev. Joseph T. Fennessey Priest
Feb. 19, Manchester	Harold William Foreman, Jr. Corinne Alice deRepentigny	Rev. Wilfrid H. Paradis Priest
Feb. 23, Amherst	Harold A. Gregory Constance D. Dawley	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson Clergyman
Feb. 25, Amherst	William A. LaPorte Victoria Lynn Crawford	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson Clergyman
Mar. 4, Amherst	Christian Stiffler Ann Katheryn Dalquist	Bernice G. Boothroyd Justice of the Peace
Mar. 20, Manchester	Ernest Scalfi Trudy A. Lennon	Beverly H. Stallworth Justice of the Peace
Apr. 1, Amherst	Stephen J. Moore Amantha J. Stacy	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson Clergyman
Apr. 15, Amherst	Sanford L. Parks Elizabeth Esty Seamans	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson Clergyman
Apr. 15, Nashua	James H. Gibson Alice S. LeRiche	Jerome Silverstein Justice of the Peace
May 6, Milford	George Boyd Heatherington IV Anneliese Ursula Decarcu	Rev. Joseph T. Fennessey Priest
May 20, Milford	Gilbert G. Wagi Charlotte M. Dreyer	Rev. Craig H. Richards Clergyman
May 20, Milford	Richard Joseph Brown Deborah Jean Fitzgerald	Rev. Joseph T. Fennessey Priest
May 27, Nashua	Ferdinand Lamothe Ernestine Aria Dorr	Rev. Donald H. McAninch Clergyman
May 27, Milford	Paul Earle Lloyd Germaine Marie Tremblay	Rev. Joseph T. Fennessey Priest
June 3, New Hampton	William Harney Bassett Pamela Lathrop	Rev. Randolph E. Phillips, D.D. Clergyman
June 3, Milford	Robert Willard Crouter Alyce Genevieve Murray	Rev. Edwin G. Lynn Clergyman
June 10, Nashua	Scott Elliott Marchand Sheila Jean McDonough	Alphonse J. Raudonis Justice of the Peace
June 17, Amherst	Timothy Claude Weiskel Kathryn Ruth Kasch	Rev. Frank M. Weiskel Clergyman
June 17, Amherst	Howard Arthur Prior Elizabeth Marion Shaw	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson Clergyman
June 17, Amherst	Mark Steven Chamberlain MaryLu Miles	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson Clergyman
June 18, Merrimack	Richard George Adams Sandra Lee Leveille	Rev. C. Edward Claus Clergyman
June 24, Amherst	Joseph Dearborn Cummings Elaine Andrea Richards	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson Clergyman
July 1, Milford	Joseph Anthony Gallas Susan Adele Hunt	Rev. Daniel W. Ferry Clergyman
July 7, Milford	William Frederick Molkentine Judith Edna Grygiel	Rev. William B. Wylie Clergyman
July 29, Amherst	Michael Pause Katherine Allen Holmes	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson Clergyman

<i>Date and Place</i>	<i>Name of Bride and Groom</i>	<i>Name of Officiant</i>
July 29, Amherst	John Thomas Bowkett Sally Brown	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson Clergyman
Aug. 5, Faneuil Hall	John Harry Savard Penelope Grace Skeer	David E. Iversen Justice of the Peace
Aug. 5, Amherst	David Arthur Hodgen Carolyn Jarvis Chapman	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson Clergyman
Aug. 7, Milford	Arthur Lewis Hayward Alice Eva Gatchell	William L. Edwards Justice of the Peace
Aug. 19, Manchester	Glen Alvin LaForest Linda Louise Proulx	Rev. James R. McGreal Priest
Aug. 20, Keene	Donald Charles Parker Pauline Tracey	Chris J. Tasoulas Justice of the Peace
Aug. 26, Darien, Conn.	Steven Kurlansky Patricia Anne Buckingham	Rev. Robert H. Bach Priest
Aug. 26, Amherst	Stephen MacConnell King Barbara Jane Boothroyd	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson Clergyman
Aug. 26, Nashua	Gerald A. Banner Pamela E. Southworth	Rev. Paul R. Walker Clergyman
Sept. 8, Nashua	Peter Mark Longfellow Joanne Evelyn Therriault	Rev. Maurice Desjardins Priest
Sept. 16, Milford	Michael James Morrill Neta Louise Roberts	Rev. Glen D. Bachelder Clergyman
Sept. 16, Amherst	Paul Bishop Anderson Linda Ebon Dickinson	Rev. Arnold D. Johnson Clergyman
Sept. 30, Amherst	Barry Bruce Hammond Jo Ann Parker	Rev. William B. Wylie Clergyman
Oct. 7, Amherst	Harold Ira Chandler Virginia Marguerite Perkins	Rev. Frank M. Weiskel Clergyman
Oct. 7, Nashua	Roger Leslie Grant Linda Ruth Nolin	Bertha Delorey Justice of the Peace
Oct. 29, Manchester	Philip Michelson Kathleen Rose Daly	Patricia Paquette Ramos Justice of the Peace
Nov. 11, Amherst	Said Mohammad Nasr Lynne Suzanne Thompson	Catherine A. Kruger Justice of the Peace
Nov. 11, Amherst	John Joseph Krieger, Jr. Sandra Jeanne MacHarg	Edna M. Bianchi Justice of the Peace
Dec. 26, Merrimack	Lionel Levesque Debra E. Bell	Rev. C. Edward Claus Clergyman

**Births Registered in the Town of Amherst, N. H.  
For the Year Ending December 31, 1972**

<i>Date and Place</i>	<i>Name of Child</i>	<i>Name of Father</i>	<i>Name of Mother</i>
<b>1971</b>			
Oct. 26, Nashua	Lynn Marie Bouchard	Richard J. Bouchard	Laura I. Brady
Oct. 31, Nashua	Kendra Jo Estey	Kenneth B. Estey	JoAnne Miles
Nov. 11, Nashua	Matthew W. Michaelis	Martin U. Michaelis	Ingrid E. Krosch
Nov. 13, Nashua	Scott Robert Allen	Maurice L. Allen	Gisele M. Tardif
Nov. 20, Nashua	Dick Jay Bernibe	Maurice J. Bernibe	Lois F. Reed
Dec. 23, Nashua	Candice Marie Grant	Winston A. Grant	Linda J. Thorell
<b>1972</b>			
Jan. 7, Nashua	Steven M. Buskey	Elwin R. Buskey	Rachel L. Robbins
Jan. 10, Nashua	Frederick David Day-Lewis	Frederick J. Day-Lewis	Marilyn R. Laffamme
Jan. 14, Nashua	Susan Rachel Steeves	Russell T. Steeves, Jr.	Mary A. Lenz
Jan. 14, Nashua	Renne Gloria Gamache	Thomas C. Gamache	Elaine J. Caron
Jan. 14, Nashua	Kathleen Kerrie Mellin	John H. Mellin	Nancy R. Allen
Jan. 17, Nashua	Wade Patrick Ireland	Richard T. Ireland	Nancy J. Seward
Jan. 20, Nashua	Amy Louise Jasper	David F. Jasper	Cynthia R. Cook
Jan. 26, Nashua	Sarah Elizabeth Brown	Richard F. Brown	Clara E. Koenig
Jan. 26, Nashua	Jennifer Rae Kolanek	James C. Kolanek	Judith A. Hopkins
Jan. 27, Nashua	Caroline Martin	Douglas C. Martin	Klaire M. Cozzi
Jan. 30, Berlin, Vt.	Craig Gilbert Schuster	Wesley C. J. Schuster, Jr.	Dawn A. Lynham
Feb. 8, Nashua	Heather Ann Buxton	Roger A. Buxton	Marilyn B. Livingston
Feb. 9, Nashua	Joelle Anne Merrill	Richard W. Merrill	Linda J. Bottazzi
Feb. 10, Nashua	Derek Bruce Heeb	Bruce E. Heeb	Barbara L. Moore
Feb. 15, Nashua	James Callahan Betts	James F. Betts	Christine Y. Esse
Feb. 17, Nashua	Bobbie Jo Marquis	Robert J. Marquis	Yvette T. Lefebvre
Mar. 9, Nashua	Edward Morgen Starkey	Donald J. Starkey	Margaret L. Pinucane
Mar. 11, Manchester	Jayma Lou Hillsgrave	James A. Hillsgrave	Bonnie Lou Bean
Mar. 20, Nashua	Earl David Todd	James E. Todd	Shirley M. Luoma
Mar. 27, Nashua	Jeffrey Glenn Graybill	Charles W. Graybill	Nancy K. Fitzpatrick
Apr. 5, Nashua	Ronald Jeffrey Calabro	Ronald A. Calabro	Earlene A. Dow
Apr. 10, Nashua	Andrew Burnier Tingleff	Paul H. Tingleff	Carol Miller
Apr. 10, Nashua	Kristen Elizabeth Clark	Norman P. Clark	Elizabeth A. McHugh
Apr. 10, Manchester	Jonathan Scott Thomas	Robert W. Thomas	Charlotte Keichum
Apr. 11, Manchester	Robin Starbuck Soloway	Norman P. Soloway	Wendy R. Tinklepaugh
Apr. 13, Nashua	Matthew David Wolfe	David W. Wolfe	Daria R. Tibbets
Apr. 17, Nashua	Nicol Leah Casey	Thomas J. Casey	Patricia A. Gray
Apr. 18, Nashua	Brad Jonathan Eisenfelder	Charles A. Eisenfelder	Gladys J. Bambrick
Apr. 30, Nashua	Melissa Gurney	Michael W. Gurney	Sandra A. Nyblom

May 5, Nashua	John Michael Gibson	James H. Gibson
May 9, Nashua	Pamela Lynn McClusky	William T. McClusky
May 22, Manchester	Steven James Rich	Howard Frank Rich
May 22, Nashua	Jennifer Rebecca Jacobson	Carl R. Jacobson
May 23, Nashua	Ryan Neil Hansen	Peter T. Hansen
June 7, Nashua	Christiane-Marie Andrews	Donald E. Andrews
June 22, Nashua	Nathan Bottazzi	Louis D. Bottazzi
June 28, Nashua	Barbara Jean Hoag	Joseph H. S. Hoag
July 9, Manchester	Wendy A. Stewart	Robert B. Stewart
July 13, Concord	Andrea Gordon Hamlin	Frederick G. Hamlin
July 15, Nashua	Christopher Scott Hamer	George D. Hamer
July 19, Nashua	Robert Gibney Whittaker	Christopher T. Whittaker
July 22, Nashua	Danielle Marie Racine	Raymond F. Racine
Aug. 3, Manchester	Teresa Ann Heatherington	George B. Heatherington
Aug. 9, Nashua	Matthew Allen Wheeler	Dennis A. Wheeler
Aug. 15, Nashua	Robert Douglas Wentworth	Robert S. Wentworth
Aug. 16, Manchester	Keenan Joseph McAloney	John M. McAloney
Aug. 28, Nashua	Baby Boy Harragy	John Joseph Harragy
Aug. 29, Nashua	Chad Everett Gagnon	Noel A. Gagnon
Sept. 1, Nashua	Keith Martin Sevigny	Paul A. Sevigny
Sept. 9, Nashua	Travis Andrew Cote	Maurice R. Cote
Sept. 18, Nashua	Kenneth Edward Hopkins	Edward A. Hopkins
Sept. 23, Nashua	John Barker Graves III	John B. Graves, Jr.
Sept. 25, Nashua	Matthew James Parkhurst	Neil H. Parkhurst
Sept. 26, Nashua	Janette Marie Nord	Robert P. Nord
Oct. 13, Nashua	David Bruce Roche	James M. Roche
Oct. 13, Manchester	Allison Lee Pelletier	Wilfred A. Pelletier
Oct. 19, Nashua	Lisa Marie Barry	Francis Brian Barry
Oct. 26, Nashua	Heather Elizabeth Heaton	Robert M. Heaton
Nov. 9, Nashua	Vicki Lynn Hodges	James B. Hodges
Dec. 20, Nashua	Brian Philip Dugay	Lawrence Dugay
Dec. 28, Manchester	David Elliot Hall	David E. Hall
Dec. 31, Nashua	Daniel Scott Hays	Bruce Hays

Alice S. Leriche	Patricia M. Grithrie
Laurie Randall	Mary P. Rosen
Patricia M. Lowden	Patricia M. Lowden
Roland J. Dusseault	Roland J. Dusseault
Bonnie J. McGrath	Bonnie J. McGrath
Elizabeth A. Buck	Elizabeth A. Buck
Linda A. Johnson	Linda A. Johnson
Julia A. Keiser	Julia A. Keiser
Elizabeth L. Baldi	Elizabeth L. Baldi
Joan E. Gibney	Joan E. Gibney
Rebecca A. Maldoek	Rebecca A. Maldoek
Ameliee U. Decreau	Ameliee U. Decreau
Judith A. Goodhue	Judith A. Goodhue
Marian A. Reichel	Marian A. Reichel
Patricia A. Herrschaff	Patricia A. Herrschaff
Joyce A. Kalcynski	Joyce A. Kalcynski
Sharon A. Hoag	Sharon A. Hoag
Gloria J. Fogg	Gloria J. Fogg
Cheryl L. Casarino	Cheryl L. Casarino
Melissa A. Racicot	Melissa A. Racicot
Dolores A. Haberek	Dolores A. Haberek
Susan J. Ballou	Susan J. Ballou
Ellen M. Hartnett	Ellen M. Hartnett
Sheila M. Kilbank	Sheila M. Kilbank
Carol R. Monast	Carol R. Monast
Madeleine A. Jeannotte	Madeleine A. Jeannotte
Susan D. Yean	Susan D. Yean
Barbara M. Welch	Barbara M. Welch
Carol Eardley	Carol Eardley
Martha Fraunzen	Martha Fraunzen
Judith Pergament	Judith Pergament

**Deaths Registered in the Town of Amherst, N. H.  
For the Year Ending December 31, 1972**

<i>Date and Place</i>	<i>Name of Deceased</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Name of Father</i>	<i>Name of Mother</i>
1971				
Aug. 28, Nashua	Perley M. Signor	81	George Signor	Alice Merrill
1972				
Jan. 7, Nashua	Alice L. Hall	50	Horace Hanson	Eitta Adams
Jan. 10, Lancaster	Lena T. Bedell	74	Simon Theriault	Mary Morin
Jan. 23, Manchester	John Sainford	74	Frank Weston	Helen Kinney
Feb. 12, Amherst	Susan R. Steeves	29 days	Russell T. Steeves, Jr.	Mary A. Lenz
Feb. 15, Hanover	Lettie Main	63	Dennison Hunt	Bertha Huntoon
Feb. 18, Nashua	Anna St. Germain	77	Andre Levesque	Aurelie Soncy
Mar. 10, Amherst	Lyle H. Fowler	76	Howard Fowler	Margaret Gorham
Mar. 12, Nashua	June B. Michelson	76	Prescott Harris	HeLEN Berg
Apr. 5, Manchester	Ema J. Meives	64	Frank Turk	Angela SemrajeC
Apr. 29, Naples, Florida	Olive S. Feemster	77	Thomas F. Swagerty	Frances E. Linn
May 1, Nashua	Amy V. Howe	76	Charles A. Fitzgerald	Eva Hamblett
May 16, Manchester	Edward C. Poehlman	70	Oscar Poehlman	Johanna Crimin
May 26, Manchester	Emma M. Hartshorn	76	Eugene Ingerson	Jessie Pond
May 27, Lowell, Mass.	Mary Lane Law	76	Samuel Deamon	Mary Jane (Unknown)
May 27, Brattleboro, Vt.	Thomas W. Charron	17	Arthur G. Charron	Catherine Buckley
June 2, Manchester	Delphine Bell	64	William J. Vahan	Lillian LeGirardin
June 4, Manchester	Clarence A. Fiske	82	Llewelyn E. Fiske	Julia A. Burton
June 16, Amherst	Paul P. Kurtick	66	Paul P. Kurtick	Victoria Suda
June 21, Nashua	John Metcalf	82	William Metcalf	Edna N. Balcom
June 29, Nashua	Robert H. Lang	44	Perley Lang	Beatrice E. Peppin
July 11, Amherst	Alice H. Macklin	86	James Hayes	Eleanor Chrysal
July 18, Nashua	Barbara M. Nolte	35	Joseph W. Mount	Marguerite Parker
July 25, Bedford	Josephine F. Evans	92	Unknown	Unknown
July 28, Boston, Mass.	Raymond LeBlanc	11	Raymond LeBlanc	Joyce Glenbeck
July 29, Nashua	Clara L. Todd	95	Amos Waldt	Mary Hayes
Aug. 16, Amherst	Dorothy E. Avery	35	Eber Dyer	Della Dohfeld
Aug. 24, Nashua	Denise Horn	4	Richard A. Horn	Mary V. Lochart
Aug. 28, Nashua	Baby Boy Harrahy	2 hrs.	John J. Harrahy	Joyce A. Kalczynski
Sept. 1, Lawrence, Mass.	Dorothy Hofer	77	Louis Hoffer	Dorothea S. Meyer
Sept. 25, Nashua	Ellen L. Hughes	39	George O'Gassion	Enothen Palmer
Sept. 30, Amherst	Janet M. Enright	39	Leo J. Comiskey	Ida G. Ingram
Oct. 6, Nashua	George Hammond	61	George E. Hammond	Annie Webb
Oct. 19, Amherst	Alice L. Carter	77	Emile LaVigne	Euphemia Loiselle
Oct. 20, Nashua	Edith M. Russell	82	Nathana Arenburg	Caroline Young

## Brought From Away and Buried in Amherst, N. H.

<i>Date and Place of Death</i>	<i>Name of Deceased</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Name of Cemetery</i>
Jan. 10, Manchester	Donald A. Caldwell	66	Meadowview
Mar. 3, New Boston	Grace E. Fuller	93	Meadowview
Mar. 6, Nashua	Harold B. Burt	74	Meadowview
July 18, Nashua	Robert M. Blair	103	Meadowview
Oct. 7, Springfield, Mass.	Elvene E. Taylor	79	Meadowview
Oct. 15, Nashua	Sherry Mae Genest	2 days	Meadowview
Oct. 17, Nashua	Mable M. Hardwick	65	Meadowview
Nov. 23, Nashua	Wilma Fraser	73	St. Patrick's
Dec. 16, Manchester	Clarence L. Chickering	71	Meadowview

Vital Statistics of a Town are one of its most important records, not merely for today, but for generations to come. If everyone would see to it that the records of their families were fully and correctly filled out for marriage, birth and death certificates it might be of great help in making our records of today.

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct according to the best of my knowledge.

BERNICE G. BOOTHROYD, Town Clerk

NOTE: Be sure you give your legal address as well as mailing address, especially on Birth Certificates.

ANNUAL REPORTS  
*of the*  
School District Officers  
*of*  
Amherst, N. H.  
*for the*  
Year Ending June 30, 1972

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## AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT

### School Officers — 1972-73

School Board	Term Expires
Herbert C. Stearns	1973
Eric W. Hare	1974
Paul F. Dudley, Jr.	1975
Roland L. Schoepf	Superintendent
Mrs. Marion J. Jacques	Teacher Consultant
Richard G. Lilly	Business Administrator
Mrs. Louise Ainsworth	Clerk-Treasurer
Creeley S. Buchanan	Moderator
Jan J. Tigchelaar, M.D.	School Physician
Miss Pauline Woods	School Nurse
Mrs. Louise Simmons	Attendance Officer
Orson H. Bragdon	Auditor
Stephen Noble	Auditor

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

### 1972-1973

Begin	Close
August 30 (Wed.) (Sept. 4; Oct. 9, 13, 23; Nov. 23, 24 – No School)	December 22 (Fri.) 77 days
January 2 (Tues.)	February 16 (Fri.) 34 days
February 26 (Mon.)	April 20 (Fri.) 40 days
April 30 (Mon.) (May 28 – No School)	June 13 (Wed.) 32 days
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	183 days

### 1973-74

September 5 (Wed.) (Oct. 8, 19, 22; Nov. 22, 23 – No School)	December 21 (Fri.) 73 days
January 2 (Wed.)	February 15 (Fri.) 33 days
February 25 (Mon.)	April 19 (Fri.) 40 days
April 29 (Mon.) (May 27 – No School)	June 19 (Fri.) 37 days
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	183 days

## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING

### The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the town of Amherst qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Wilkins School in said district on the 2nd day of March 1973, at eight o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officer or agent of the district.
2. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
3. To choose agents, auditors, and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
4. To see if the district will authorize the School Board to make application for and receive in the name of the district such advances, grants and aids, or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government or any other state or private agency.
5. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for school district officials and agents, and for payment of the statutory obligations of the district.

6. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Amherst this 13th day of February 1973.

PAUL F. DUDLEY  
HERBERT C. STEARNS  
ERIC W. HARE

School Board

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

PAUL F. DUDLEY  
HERBERT C. STEARNS  
ERIC W. HARE

School Board

## **WARRANT FOR ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING**

**The State of New Hampshire**

**Polls to open at 7:00 a.m. — Close at 7:00 p.m.**

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the town of Amherst qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Wilkins School in said district on the 6th day of March 1973, at 7:00 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Given under our hands at said Amherst this 13th day of February 1973.

PAUL F. DUDLEY  
HERBERT C. STEARNS  
ERIC W. HARE  
School Board

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

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School Board

# AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

	Adopted 1971-72	Actual 1971-72	Adopted 1972-73	Proposed 1973-74
<b>100 Series Administration</b>				
110 Salaries of District Officers	\$ 535.00	\$ 470.00	\$ 1,860.00	\$ 1,860.00
135 Contracted Services	200.00	200.00	300.00	300.00
190 Other Expenses of Administration	1,400.00	2,645.25	5,125.00	1,625.00
<b>100 Series Total</b>	<b>2,135.00</b>	<b>3,315.25</b>	<b>7,285.00</b>	<b>3,785.00</b>
<b>200 Series Instruction</b>				
210.1 Teachers' Salaries	393,945.00	419,767.31	448,409.00	503,213.00
210.2 New Teachers	25,500.00		33,500.00	20,411.00
210.3 Summer Curriculum	600.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
210.4 Insurance	3,000.00	5,159.46	7,200.00	13,533.00
210.5 Teacher Scholarship	1,500.00	1,120.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
<b>210 Total</b>	<b>424,545.00</b>	<b>426,646.77</b>	<b>492,209.00</b>	<b>545,257.00</b>
215 Textbooks	4,607.00	4,781.04	5,695.00	5,287.00
220 Library and Audio Visual	2,683.00	2,427.13	4,813.00	5,263.00
230 Teaching Supplies	13,605.00	11,023.61	16,030.00	18,016.00
235 Contracted Services	7,080.00	1,953.07	4,410.00	4,442.00
290 Other Expenses for Instruction	1,840.00	1,772.59	2,730.00	2,635.00
<b>200 Series Total</b>	<b>454,360.00</b>	<b>448,604.21</b>	<b>525,887.00</b>	<b>580,900.00</b>
<b>300 Series Attendance</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>50.00</b>
<b>400 Series Health</b>	<b>4,884.00</b>	<b>4,883.64</b>	<b>7,230.00</b>	<b>8,745.00</b>

# AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

	Adopted 1971-72 58,009.00	Actual 1971-72 66,231.62	Adopted 1972-73 78,312.60	Proposed 1973-74 91,537.00
<b>500 Series Transportation</b>				
610 Salaries	12,200.00	12,049.28	12,838.00	26,750.00
630 Supplies	3,025.00	3,053.81	3,426.00	5,676.00
635 Contracted Services	15,025.00	14,864.55	16,132.00	1,700.00
640 Heat	11,300.00	10,006.95	10,500.00	11,300.00
645 Utilities	8,680.00	9,127.07	8,941.00	9,611.00
<b>600 Series Total</b>	<b>50,230.00</b>	<b>49,101.66</b>	<b>51,837.00</b>	<b>55,037.00</b>
<b>700 Series Maintenance of Plant</b>				
4,305.00	3,916.81	11,705.00	6,201.00	
<b>800 Series Fixed Charges</b>				
850 Retirement and Social Security	31,770.00	25,344.10	38,982.00	45,657.00
855 Insurance	4,803.00	4,697.00	5,405.00	5,405.00
<b>800 Series Total</b>	<b>36,573.00</b>	<b>30,041.10</b>	<b>44,387.00</b>	<b>51,062.00</b>
<b>900 Series Federal Lunch</b>				
<b>1000 Series Student Body Activities</b>				
<b>1200 Series Capital Outlay</b>				
1265 Sites	2,200.00	1,760.00	0.00	0.00
1266 Buildings	300.00	0.00	35,000.00	0.00
1267 Equipment	3,339.00	3,030.69	5,377.00	8,419.00
<b>1200 Series Total</b>	<b>5,839.00</b>	<b>4,790.69</b>	<b>40,377.00</b>	<b>8,419.00</b>

# AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

	Adopted 1971-72	Actual 1971-72	Adopted 1972-73	Proposed 1973-74
<b>1300 Series Debt Service</b>				
1370 Principal	75,000.00	75,000.00	75,000.00	170,000.00
1371 Interest	38,475.00	38,475.00	35,065.00	131,760.00
Service Charge	15.00	10.05	15.00	15.00
<b>1300 Series Total</b>	<b>113,490.00</b>	<b>113,485.05</b>	<b>110,080.00</b>	<b>301,775.00</b>
<b>1400 Series Outgoing Transfer Accounts</b>				
1477.1 Tuition In-State	449,974.00	432,302.42	537,519.00	630,148.00
1477.3 Supervisory Union Share	21,874.23	21,874.23	27,289.28	34,509.16
1477.4 Trainable Class Tuition	2,890.00	2,800.00	4,200.00	4,200.00
Handicapped Tuition		5,685.00	10,224.00	15,194.00
1477.9 AREA Rental	75,599.00	71,536.61	95,400.00	96,538.00
<b>1400 Series Total</b>	<b>550,247.23</b>	<b>534,198.26</b>	<b>674,632.28</b>	<b>780,589.16</b>
<b>1500 Series Learning Disabilities</b>	<b>684.00</b>	<b>751.80</b>	<b>759.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>1600 Series Contingency</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>
<b>1700 Series Summer Education Program</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>875.00</b>	<b>1,250.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$1,292,931.23</b>	<b>\$1,267,878.14</b>	<b>\$1,567,106.28</b>	<b>\$1,901,675.16</b>

# AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

REVENUE	Actual 1971-72	Actual 1971-72	Adopted 1972-73	As Approved by Tax Commission 1972-73	Proposed 1973-74
Unencumbered Balance	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 22,845.46	\$ 27,000.00
State Building Aid	24,000.00	12,489.81	13,500.00	15,442.44	51,000.00
State Sweepstakes Aid	6,000.00	14,837.33	14,800.00	23,358.79	23,300.00
State Special Class Aid	2,500.00	1,459.66	0.00	0.00	0.00
Federal Lunch	6,000.00	6,951.71	7,500.00	7,500.00	7,500.00
Trust Funds	900.00	936.55	900.00	900.00	900.00
Learning Disabilities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
State Foundation Aid	30,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other	1,500.00	3,453.97	500.00	500.00	500.00
Emotionally Disturbed	3,000.00	2,005.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NDEA	0.00	0.00	900.00	894.78	0.00
Summer Reading Program	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 74,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 42,134.53</b>	<b>\$ 39,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 71,441.47</b>	<b>\$ 110,200.00</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSESSMENT</b>	<b>\$1,218,831.23</b>		<b>\$1,528,066.28</b>	<b>\$1,495,724.81</b>	<b>\$1,791,475.16</b>

## REPORT OF THE AMHERST SCHOOL BOARD 1972 - 1973

One hears a lot about accountability nowadays as a means of promoting efficiency and properly evaluating proposed tasks. The School Board likes to feel it too can present a prospectus. The annual report affords this opportunity along with a chance to express our gratitude to the many who have contributed.

First, it is our privilege to welcome the public, whom we serve, to its regular meetings. There is a great deal of routine which apparently doesn't interest large segments of society for good reason. However, this is an important function for which there should be an appreciation, and because of "Right to Know" laws the information concerning our procedures is available at the Union 40 office. We have kept the public informed by the news media; we appreciate their willingness to cooperate. Occasionally, we make general mailings, and the important issues are brought to the town for action. Your support of our program and the budget is gratifying.

We extend our thanks to the Administration and their workers in fulfilling the policies set forth by the Board. We appreciate their guidance and recommendations. Any comments from other sources are also welcome, and we thank the town officials who have participated.

The support of the budget enabled us this year to add to our program two areas which are recommended by the State Department of Education in its Minimum Standards, that of Guidance and Physical Education.

Our progress is enhanced by a fine staff and its relationship through the Amherst Education Association. The expected turnover and additions are made. However, an unusual loss of two of our veteran teachers, Mrs. Sarah Greenhalgh and Mrs. Mary McGee, was occasioned by their

retirement this year. We have missed them and we extend our best wishes!

Much attention has been given to the future and our relationship with Milford in the AREA Plan. We look for no easy solutions and although the Amherst intent for co-operation suffered a set-back, e.g., a special vote of the Amherst District reversed an earlier decision signifying our desire to stay in the AREA Plan as now operating, the question is still pending Milford's district vote at a special meeting; we can take hope in that a long range study committee of Milford, Mont Vernon and Amherst citizens was formed, and funded, and is now active, using the services of an outside consultant. Their work will be of great importance in the years ahead. Amherst is represented by Tom Clark — chairman, Nancy MacKenzie, Wilna Chandley, Dana Mayhew, and John Freeman.

The regular study committee is still functioning and will take on added assignments related to the new school. The aspect of the new school is exciting and challenging! A great effort to publicize this resulted in an affirmative vote by the District, at a special meeting, to authorize the sale of bonds in the amount of \$2,008,125.00 for their new school. To be commended is the Administration, the LWV, the PTA, and the building committee made up of John Kelly — chairman, Bob Bloomfield, Ray Ainsworth, Bob Blakeman, Paul Collins, Marcia Perry, Judith Dunbar, and Joe Garaffa.

The work is underway under the capable direction of our architect, Drumme, Rosane, Anderson who have made a fine effort to apprise the committee and town of the complexity of a new plant. Progress reports will be forthcoming; we look to occupancy well ahead of September 1974.

The Policy Handbook is constantly under review because the implications of rights and privileges are of great significance in these times. This year the entrance age was set at 6 years by September 30, except a Reading Test may be administered, with binding results, to a child whose birth-

day falls between October 1 and December 31. This points up our philosophy of attention to the individual and our interest in his development.

The School District report contains greater detail of the school board functions. We have not knowingly omitted any events or persons who have kindly assisted. Our thanks go to you, too! Please keep informed and continue to support our efforts.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL F. DUDLEY, JR.  
HERBERT C. STEARNS  
ERIC W. HARE

# AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BONDS

Bonds issued in \$5,000 denominations  
Coupons payable February 1 and August 1  
Principal Maturing 1974-93  
Rate 4.80%

Date	Interest	Principal	Maturing
8-1-73	\$48,000	\$2,000,000	
2-1-74	48,000	2,000,000	\$100,000
8-1-74	45,600	1,900,000	
2-1-75	45,600	1,900,000	100,000
8-1-75	43,200	1,800,000	
2-1-76	43,200	1,800,000	100,000
8-1-76	40,800	1,700,000	
2-1-77	40,800	1,700,000	100,000
8-1-77	38,400	1,600,000	
2-1-78	38,400	1,600,000	100,000
8-1-78	36,000	1,500,000	
2-1-79	36,000	1,500,000	100,000
8-1-79	33,600	1,400,000	
2-1-80	33,600	1,400,000	100,000
8-1-80	31,200	1,300,000	
2-1-81	31,200	1,300,000	100,000
8-1-81	28,800	1,200,000	
2-1-82	28,800	1,200,000	100,000
8-1-82	26,400	1,100,000	
2-1-83	26,400	1,100,000	100,000
8-1-83	24,000	1,000,000	
2-1-84	24,000	1,000,000	100,000
8-1-84	21,600	900,000	
2-1-85	21,600	900,000	100,000
8-1-85	19,200	800,000	
2-1-86	19,200	800,000	100,000
8-1-86	16,800	700,000	
2-1-87	16,800	700,000	100,000
8-1-87	14,400	600,000	
2-1-88	14,400	600,000	100,000
8-1-88	12,000	500,000	
2-1-89	12,000	500,000	100,000
8-1-89	9,600	400,000	
2-1-90	9,600	400,000	100,000
8-1-90	7,200	300,000	
2-1-91	7,200	300,000	100,000
8-1-91	4,800	200,000	
2-1-92	4,800	200,000	100,000
8-1-92	2,400	100,000	
2-1-93	2,400	100,000	100,000

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER**  
**(For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1971 to June 30, 1972)**

LOUISE AINSWORTH, Treasurer

In account with the School District of Amherst.

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1971	\$ -11,581 38
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Board of Selectmen:

Current Appropriation	\$1,263,887 42
State Sources	38,452 40
Trust Funds	936 55
Other Sources	2,745 58
 Total Receipts	 \$1,306,021 95

Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year

(Balance and Receipts)	\$1,294,440 57
Less School Board Orders Paid	1,267,878 14
 Balance on Hand, June 30, 1972	 \$ 26,562 43

**Building Fund**

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1971	\$ 296 19
Less School Board Orders Paid	0 00
 Balance on Hand, June 30, 1972 (Treasurer's Bank Balance)	 \$ 296 19

**Multi-Purpose Room**

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1971	\$ 188 34
Less School Board Orders Paid	0 00
 Balance on Hand, June 30, 1972 (Treasurer's Bank Balance)	 \$ 188 34

**Classroom Addition Fund**

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1971	\$ 2,429 30
Total Receipts	100 00
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Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$ 2,529 30
Less School Board Orders Paid	663 92
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Balance on Hand, June 30, 1972 (Treasurer's Bank Balance)	\$ 1,865 38

**Emotionally Disturbed Fund**

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1971	\$ 2,378 43
Less School Board Orders Paid	553 90
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Balance on Hand, June 30, 1972 (Treasurer's Bank Balance)	\$ 1,824 53

**AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE**

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Amherst, N. H., of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1972, and find them correct in all respects.

ORSON H. BRAGDON,  
STEPHEN NOBLE,  
Auditors

August 29, 1972

**NOTIFICATION OF ASSESSMENT**  
**1972-73 School Year**

Total Appropriations	\$1,567,166 28
<b>REVENUES AND CREDITS</b>	
Unencumbered Balance	\$ 22,845 46
Sweepstakes	23,358 79
School Building Aid	15,442 44
NDEA - Title III, Science, Math & Lang.	894 78
School Lunch and Special Milk	7,500 00
Trust Fund Income	900 00
Other Revenue from Local Sources	500 00
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Total Revenue and Credits	\$ 71,441 47
District Assessment 1972	\$1,495,724 81
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Total Appropriations	\$1,567,166 28

## ADMINISTRATIVE SCHOOL REPORT

To the Citizens of Amherst:

This year has been one of extreme satisfaction with the education program and student progress in the past few months.

The year found many changes over the 1971-72 school year. The summer months found the new Elementary Guidance Program beginning under the direction of Lawrence Seavey. Response from parents to this program has been very positive.

The floor plan of the Wilkins School was completely reorganized with twenty-three classrooms being relocated to allow a better instructional climate as well as a smoother building traffic pattern.

New class schedules were established to allow maximum use of the school day to permit a balance of regular subject material and special subject areas. Special subjects were established in a set time block to allow as few interruptions as possible in the academic day and still have the flexibility of teacher planning by grade level at similar times.

The Clark School received a new look as all the classrooms and halls were painted; the roof was repaired, and the building became a pleasant atmosphere for our young children's first public school experience.

September found new staff members on the Amherst faculty:

Grade Six — Mrs. Joanne Mastejulia

Grade Five — Mrs. Joanne Cortellino, Mrs. Linda Little, Mr. Ray Floryan

Grade Four — Miss Janet Hogan, Miss Diane Sirois, Mr. Michael Barlick

Grade Three — Miss Brenda Beland

Grade Two — Mrs. Mary Jean Gentili

Remedial Reading — Mrs. Julie Nason

Instrumental Music — Mr. John Brookfield

Physical Education — Mr. Carl McAllister

The autumn months passed quickly as we worked on the plans for the new school voted by the town in November.

New programs in education for the school year include a new Language Arts program. The thrust of this program is to develop the skill of children for oral and written communication.

A new library has been established at the Clark School under the direction of Mrs. Catherine Sullivan, the Amherst School Librarian. She has been assisted by many parent volunteers. Without their wonderful, unselfish assistance, the program would not be effective.

Mrs. Anne Logan replaced Mrs. Barbara Maloney as the Parent Volunteer Director, and the quality of this program continues to play a tremendous part in our educational structure.

The teacher-parent conference program was changed to be a full day rather than two afternoon sessions. This allowed more fathers an opportunity to participate as the time span was greater for actual conferences.

Mr. Seavey, Mr. Ebert and Mr. Collins hosted a meeting for parents new to Amherst to explain school programs and procedures. Mr. Herbert Stearns represented the School Board, and the attendance of new parents is highly commendable.

The year 1972-73 has also seen a revision and improvement in the Parents School Handbook. Informational input on school procedure, a brief curriculum sketch by major subjects, and PTA committees and budget were all included. We are very pleased by your comments on this handbook, as a venture of this nature required time and coordination.

New curriculum committees were established to study a new Social Studies program and a new Handwriting program.

The philosophy of the Amherst School District continues

to enhance creativity and develop each child to their fullest potential. To assist this goal, we continue the special programs of Learning Disabilities, Remedial Reading, Vocal Choral groups, Instrumental Music, Intramural Athletic Programs, Drama Club and various other activities of student improvement and participation.

We can proudly say, at this time, the Amherst School District has implemented the Minimum Standards for New Hampshire Elementary Schools. With the planned construction we have assured that this objective will continue to be realized.

We wish to commend the town on its total commitment to insure a superior educational experience for its children. Your support is vital to the success we have had and will continue to have.

We must also recognize our teaching staff as being truly professional and sincere in the welfare of the children you entrust to their care. We can all feel secure in the fact that our children have achieved and will achieve. They are the future generation we leave our heritage to. They have the ability to do great deeds and think great ideas.

The town is fortunate to have a School Board that is forward thinking and hard working to guarantee the educational program so necessary in today's world. Mr. Paul Dudley, Chairman, Mr. Herbert Stearns and Mr. Eric Hare have our thanks and admiration for their support and help in the goals of the Amherst School District.

A vote of thanks is also extended to Mrs. Joyce Kenne and the Amherst Parent-Teachers Association for their continuing support to the Amherst Schools. They have, through their efforts, assisted greatly in allowing us to provide extra materials and programs for Amherst children.

### **Conclusion**

While improvements are being made constantly in our educational programs and facilities, the attention of the citizenry is being increasingly focused on the cost of support. In an era when not only are costs rising, communities

are being required to lay out large sums for various kinds of public works, whether as a result of legislation or the demands of a growing population. Federal and state governments are meeting these needs in some measure, but the fact of the matter is that the local property owner in New Hampshire is feeling the impact rather directly. Probably it is due partly to this that more people today are asking about foundation aid to school districts. The story of what has happened since this form of support was written into law in 1951 should provide the local taxpayer with some answers.

As originally conceived, foundation aid was designed to provide equal public school educational opportunity throughout the state. It was recognized that some districts were more capable than others in meeting school costs, and because education is the responsibility of the state, this law in theory would at least assure an up-grading of schools which could not offer the same kind of program as those located in communities with a more favorable tax base. The following table illustrates how the law has been implemented:

Year	Amount for Full Implementation	Amount Appropriated	Pupils in Aided Districts	Total Pupils in State	Number Districts Aided	Total Districts in State
51-2	\$1,110,306	\$ 600,000	28,280	71,751	120	235
60-1	3,923,303	1,399,600	29,450	96,161	99	230
65-6	9,148,968	2,950,000	46,357	119,907	105	199
70-1	23,870,371	5,409,448	72,855	144,410	84	168
72-3	36,809,300	2,694,078	48,687	159,038	53	167

Not only has the number of districts receiving foundation aid decreased, but of more significance is the fact that the amount of aid being received by these districts, in relation to per pupil costs, is decreasing. Averaging elementary

and high school costs over the years, aid which varied considerably in excess of 10% at times has now dropped to 7% due to a decrease in foundation aid funds appropriated by the state legislature.

Foundation aid is but one form of state assistance, and while the intent of the statute was not to provide financial help to all districts, the trend of all programs of assistance has been down. Several years ago, the total amount of state assistance was approximately 11%; it is now at a level of 4%, making it necessary for local districts to absorb the difference.

Educators and the general public alike are awaiting the results of court action with regard to the support of public schools. The chances are that the local property tax will always be an integral part of any tax structure; it remains to see what relief might be afforded the home owner if it is determined that it constitutes only a part of the monies to be raised for the support of education. One thing will remain unchanged, however, and that is that education will continue to be the responsibility of the state, regardless of the financial support it renders. How responsible is yet to be seen.

ROLAND L. SCHOEPF, Superintendent  
MARION J. JACQUES, Teacher Consultant  
PAUL D. COLLINS, Principal

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE  
AMHERST SCHOOL BOARD**

**For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1971 to June 30, 1972**

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$1,296,788 25
TOTAL PAYMENTS	1,266,051 38
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Cash Balance, June 30, 1972	\$ 28,386 96
Building Fund	\$ 2,349 91

**RECEIPTS IN DETAIL**

**Federal Aid:**

School Lunch & Special Milk	\$ 6,951 71
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**State Aid:**

Building Aid	\$12,489 81
Intellectually Retarded	1,459 66
Sweepstakes	14,837 83
Dual Enrollment and Child Benefit Services	155 39
Other	2,005 00
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	30,947 69

**Revenue from Local Sources:**

Trust Funds	\$936 55
Other	104 00
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	1,040 55

**Sale of School Property and  
Insurance Adjustment**

Net Recovery	250 00
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**From Selectmen Raised by Taxation:**

Current Appropriation	1,263,887 42
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Total Receipts from All Sources	\$1,303,077 37
Cash on Hand July 1, 1971	9,202 95
Building Fund	2,913 83
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	\$1,296,788 25

## PAYMENTS IN DETAIL

July 1, 1971 to June 30, 1972

### **100 Series Administration**

110 Salaries of Officers	\$ 470 00
135 Contracted Services	200 00
190 Other Expenses	2,645 25
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	\$ 3,315 25

### **200 Series Instruction**

210 Salaries for Instruction	\$425,846 77
215 Textbooks	4,781 04
220 School Library and A.V.	2,427 13
230 Teaching Supplies	11,760 41
235 Contracted Services	2,506 97
290 Other Expenses	2,647 59
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	449,969 91

**300 Series Attendance Services** 50 00

**400 Series Health** 4,883 64

**500 Series Transportation** 64,890 94

### **600 Series Operation of Plant**

610 Salaries	\$12,049 28
630 Supplies, except Utilities	3,053 81
635 Contracted Services	14,864 55
640 Heat for Buildings	10,006 95
645 Utilities, except Heat	9,127 07
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	49,101 66

### **700 Series Maintenance of Plant**

725 Replacement of Equipment	\$ 405 00
726 Repairs to Equipment	65 01
735 Contracted Services	1,971 76
766 Repairs to Buildings	1,475 04
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	3,916 81

<b>800 Series Fixed Charges</b>		
850.2 Teachers Retirement	\$ 8,952	57
850.3 F.I.C.A.	16,391	53
855 Insurance	4,697	00
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	30,041	10
<b>900 Series School Lunch and Special Milk</b>		
<b>1000 Series Student Body Activities</b>		
<b>1200 Series Capital Outlay</b>		
1265 Sites	\$1,731	00
1266 Buildings	663	92
1267 Equipment	3,030	69
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	5,425	61
<b>1300 Series Debt Service</b>		
1370 Principal of Debt	\$75,000	00
1371 Interest on Debt	38,475	00
1390 Other Debt Service	10	05
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	113,485	05
<b>1400 Series Outgoing Transfer Accounts</b>		
<b>1477.1 Tuition to Other School</b>		
Districts (In-state)	\$510,718	03
<b>1477.3 Supervisory Union Share</b>	21,020	33
<b>1478.1 Tuition to Other School</b>		
Districts (Out of state)	1,606	00
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	533,344	36
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	\$1,266,051	38

## BALANCE SHEET – June 30, 1972

### ASSETS

Cash on Hand, June 30, 1972:

General Fund	\$ 26,562 43
Building Fund	2,349 91
Emotionally Disturbed Fund	1,824 53
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Total Assets	\$ 30,736.87
Net Debt (Excess of Liabilities over Assets)	742,154 54
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Grand Total	\$772,891 41

### LIABILITIES

Amounts Received for Special Purposes:

Building Fund	\$ 2,349 91
Emotionally Disturbed Fund	1,824 53
Accounts Owed by District:	
Accounts Payable	3,716 97
Notes and Bonds Outstanding	765,000 00
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Grand Total	\$772,891 41

### CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes Annotated, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

PAUL F. DUDLEY, JR.,  
HERBERT C. STEARNS,  
ERIC W. HARE,  
School Board

ROLAND L. SCHOEPF, Superintendent  
September 19, 1972

## AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BONDS

Bonds issued in \$5,000 denominations.

Coupons payable March 15 and September 15.

Principal Maturing: 1970-1984.

Rate: 6.5%.

Date	Interest	Principal	Maturing
3-15-70	\$12,350.00	\$380,000	—
9-15-70	12,350.00	380,000	\$30,000
3-15-71	11,375.00	350,000	—
9-15-71	11,375.00	350,000	25,000
3-15-72	10,562.50	325,000	—
9-15-72	10,562.50	325,000	25,000
3-15-73	9,750.00	300,000	—
9-15-73	9,750.00	300,000	25,000
3-15-74	8,937.50	275,000	—
9-15-74	8,937.50	275,000	25,000
3-15-75	8,125.00	250,000	—
9-15-75	8,125.00	250,000	25,000
3-15-76	7,312.50	225,000	—
9-15-76	7,312.50	225,000	25,000
3-15-77	6,500.00	200,000	—
9-15-77	6,500.00	200,000	25,000
3-15-78	5,687.50	175,000	—
9-15-78	5,687.50	175,000	25,000
3-15-79	4,875.00	150,000	—
9-15-79	4,875.00	150,000	25,000
3-15-80	4,062.50	125,000	—
9-15-80	4,062.50	125,000	25,000
3-15-81	3,250.00	100,000	—
9-15-81	3,250.00	100,000	25,000
3-15-82	2,437.50	75,000	—
9-15-82	2,437.50	75,000	25,000
3-15-83	1,625.00	50,000	—
9-15-83	1,625.00	50,000	25,000
3-15-84	812.50	25,000	—
9-15-84	812.50	25,000	25,000

## AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BONDS

Bonds issued on August 1, 1968 in \$5,000 denominations.  
 Coupons payable February 1 and August 1.  
 Principal Maturing: 1969-1983.  
 Rate: 4.20%.

Coupon Amount: \$105.00-\$5,000.00

Date	Interest	Principal	Maturing
2-1-69	\$3,570.00	\$170,000	—
8-1-69	3,570.00	170,000	\$15,000
2-1-70	3,255.00	155,000	—
8-1-70	3,255.00	155,000	15,000
2-1-71	2,940.00	140,000	—
8-1-71	2,940.00	140,000	15,000
2-1-72	2,625.00	125,000	—
8-1-72	2,625.00	125,000	15,000
2-1-73	2,310.00	110,000	—
8-1-73	2,310.00	110,000	10,000
2-1-74	2,100.00	100,000	—
8-1-74	2,100.00	100,000	10,000
2-1-75	1,890.00	90,000	—
8-1-75	1,890.00	90,000	10,000
2-1-76	1,680.00	80,000	—
8-1-76	1,680.00	80,000	10,000
2-1-77	1,470.00	70,000	—
8-1-77	1,470.00	70,000	10,000
2-1-78	1,260.00	60,000	—
8-1-78	1,260.00	60,000	10,000
2-1-79	1,050.00	50,000	—
8-1-79	1,050.00	50,000	10,000
2-1-80	840.00	40,000	—
8-1-80	840.00	40,000	10,000
2-1-81	630.00	30,000	—

8-1-81	630.00	30,000	10,000
2-1-82	420.00	20,000	—
8-1-82	420.00	20,000	10,000
2-1-83	210.00	10,000	—
8-1-83	210.00	10,000	10,000

### AMHERST SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BONDS

Bonds issued in \$5,000 denominations except \$2,000 due September 15, 1966 issued in \$1,000 denominations.

Coupons payable March 15 and September 15.

Principal Maturing: 1966-1980.

Rate: 3.30%.

Coupon Amount    \$16.50-\$1,000  
                      \$82.50-\$5,000

Date	Interest	Principal	Maturing
3-15-66	\$9,025.50	\$547,000	—
9-15-66	9,025.50	547,000	\$42,000
3-15-67	8,332.50	505,000	—
9-15-67	8,332.50	505,000	40,000
3-15-68	7,672.50	465,000	—
9-15-68	7,672.50	465,000	40,000
3-15-69	7,012.50	425,000	—
9-15-69	7,012.50	425,000	40,000
3-15-70	6,352.50	385,000	—
9-15-70	6,352.50	385,000	35,000
3-15-71	5,775.00	350,000	—
9-15-71	5,775.00	350,000	35,000
3-15-72	5,197.50	315,000	—
9-15-72	5,197.50	315,000	35,000
3-15-73	4,620.00	280,000	—
9-15-73	4,620.00	280,000	35,000

3-15-74	4,042.50	245,000	---
9-15-74	4,042.50	245,000	35,000
3-15-75	3,465.00	210,000	---
9-15-75	3,465.00	210,000	35,000
3-15-76	2,887.50	175,000	---
9-15-76	2,887.50	175,000	35,000
3-15-77	2,310.00	140,000	---
9-15-77	2,310.00	140,000	35,000
3-15-78	1,732.50	105,000	---
9-15-78	1,732.50	105,000	35,000
3-15-79	1,155.00	70,000	---
9-15-79	1,155.00	70,000	35,000
3-15-80	577.50	35,000	---
9-15-80	577.50	35,000	35,000

### **INSURANCE COVERAGE**

Blanket Contents and Buildings	\$1,300,000
Burglary and Theft	5,000
Automobile Liability	500,000/1,000,000
Van Liability	100,000/300,000
Workmen's Compensation	100,000

## AMHERST SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

### Financial Statement July 1, 1971 - June 30, 1972

Beginning Balance, July 1, 1971	\$ 261 63
Receipts:	
Lunch Sales - Children	\$27,142 21
Lunch Sales - Adults	2,080 60
Reimbursement	6,662 62
Misc. Cash	784 47
Total Receipts	----- 36,669 90
 Total Available	
	\$36,931 53
Expenditures:	
Food	\$21,262 63
Labor	11,332 87
Equipment	395 44
Other	417 08
Total Expenditures	----- 33,408 02
 Balance, June 30, 1972	
	\$ 3,523 51
USDA Commodities Received (\$3,087.00)	

### Balance Sheet Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1972

Assets:	
Cash in Bank	\$ 3,523 51
Reimbursement Due Program	631 20
Food Inventory - June 30	479 89
Supplies Inventory - June 30	125 00
	-----
	\$ 4,759 60
Liabilities	0 00
Working Capital	4,759 60
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Total Liabilities and Working Capital	\$ 4,759 60

## SUPERVISORY UNION NO. 40

### Administrative Salaries — 1971-72

#### A. Superintendent

State Share	\$ 3,378 96
<b>Local Share:</b>	
Amherst	\$3,802 04
Brookline	956 47
Hollis	2,902 90
Milford	7,808 77
Mont Vernon	634 70
	----- 16,104 88
	----- \$19,483 84

#### B. Teacher Consultant

State Share	\$ 2,190 00
<b>Local Share:</b>	
Amherst	\$3,260 26
Brookline	820 18
Hollis	2,489 25
Milford	6,696 06
Mont Vernon	544 25
	----- 13,810 00
	----- \$16,000 00

#### C. Business Administrator

State Share	\$ 1,600 52
<b>Local Share:</b>	
Amherst	\$2,111 00
Brookline	531 05
Hollis	1,611 77
Milford	4,335 65
Mont Vernon	352 40
	----- 8,941 87
	----- \$10,542 39

**TITLE I – 1971-72**  
**Supervisory Union No. 40**

**Receipts as Allocated:**

Amherst	\$ 5,051 00
Brookline	3,862 00
Hollis	2,971 00
Milford	17,677 00
Mont Vernon	1,931 00
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	\$31,492 00

**Expenditures:**

Guidance Program	
Improvement of the Self-Image	
of the Disadvantaged Child	\$31,492 00

## GENERAL STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1971-72

Number of pupils registered during year: 891

Boys 471 Girls 420

Enrollment by Grades:

I - 173; II - 126; III - 133; IV - 152; V - 164; VI - 143

Average Membership in Grades 1-6 863.8

Percent of Attendance in Grades 1-6 94.0

Number of Sessions in All Schools 360

Teaching Positions:

Elementary 38

Part-time Teachers 4

Amherst Tuition Pupils attending Milford AREA Schools  
1971-72:

Grade 7 134 Grade 10 105

Grade 8 132 Grade 11 100

Grade 9 119 Grade 12 79

Trainable Class – Elementary 2

Special Class – Elementary 4

Special Class – Secondary 4

**AMHERST PUPILS GRADUATING FROM  
MILFORD AREA SCHOOL – JUNE 1972**

Allen, Kathy	Manoogian, Debra
•Blakeman, Kenneth	•Mantel, Andrew
Browning, Deborah	Mearsheimer, Mariellen
Burgeson, Wendy	Munroe, Donald
Burns, Charles	Noble, Daniel
Burns, Elizabeth	Osborn, Susan
Caldwell, Deborah	Parker, Deborah
Campman, Pamela	Parker, Janet
Cannaday, Todd	Pelletier, Lee
Carson, Cathleen	Prescott, Terry
•Cassese, Judith	Ramsey, Barry
Chandley, Cynthia	Reid, Genevieve
Chapman, Gary	•Richards, Linda
Chaput, Nancy	Rosswaag, Thomas
Charron, Thomas	Ryan, Michael
Copertino, Alfred	Schumacher, James
•Crouter, Elizabeth	Simmons, William
Eggleson, Mark	Sortevik, Susan
Gilman, Jacqueline	Stearns, Herbert
Griffin, Richard	Stewart, Jan
Hall, Gail	Stickney, James
Handy, Beth	Terkow, Leslie
Hineman, Kathleen	Thomas, Patricia
Holland, Cathy	Thorell, Cynthia
Hopkins, William	Topliffe, Douglas
Huckabee, Kim	Topliffe, Susan
Hunsaker, Robert	•Treadwell, Robert
Keefe, William	Walker, Marilyn
LaPorte, William	Weimont, Hildy
•Landry, Shauna	Woodward, Wendy
Lathrop, Kathleen	Williams, Karen
Lehr, Roger	Young, Patricia
Levesque, Lionel	Ferguson, Sandra Lee
Lion, Robert	McDonough, Nancy Rae Marie
Maas, Ronald	Dickstein, Steven
MacLeod, Stephen	

\*National Honor Society

# SCHOOL CENSUS

		Age as of Sept. 1, 1972								
		Total	Boys	Girls	Public Schools within District			Public Schools outside District		
Less than	1	57	29	28						
	1	98	59	39						
	2	118	51	67						
	3	145	75	70						
	4	138	69	69						
	5	143	79	64						
	6	123	68	55	122	1				
	7	157	71	86	156					
	8	142	77	65	140					
	9	151	80	71	151					
	10	159	74	85	158	1				
	11	161	76	85	159					
	12	147	71	76	147					
	13	149	80	69	146		2			
	14	141	83	58	131	2	2			
	15	121	56	65	112	1	2			
	16	116	57	59	95	2	2			
	17	111	59	52	75		2			
	18	60	28	32	9					
		2437	1242	1195	1601	6	11	71	43	3
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										68

## TEACHER ROSTER

### Amherst Elementary

Name	Exp.	Assignment	College	Degree
Collins, Paul	14	Principal	State Coll. at Boston	M.E.
Ebert, Richard	8	Asst. Principal	Eastern Michigan U.	M.A.
Barlick, Michael	0	Grade 4	Keene State College	B.E.
Barry, Susan	5	Grade 2	New England College	B.A.
Bean, Sandra	9	Grade 2	Keene State College	B.E.
Beland, Brenda	0	Grade 3	Rivier College	B.A.
Brockway, Marguerite	4	Music p. t.	American University	M.A.
Brookfield, John	9	Instrumental Music p. t.	Boston University	B.M.Ed.
Burrage, Pamala	2	Grade 3	Keene State College	B.E.
Chicoine, Carolyn	6	Grade 4	University of Vermont	B.S.
Collins, Patricia	5	Learning Dis. I & 2	State Coll. at Boston	B.S. in Ed.
Cortellino, Joanne	3	Grade 5	Rivier College	B.A.
Cray, Martha	1	Grade 1	Wheaton College	B.A.
Delisle, Laurette	3	Grade 3	Rivier College	B.A.
Demers, Suzanne	1	Grade 1	Rivier College	B.A.
Dionne, Denise	9	Grade 1	Notre Dame College	B.A.
Drobinski, Patricia	1	Grade 5	Nasson College	B.A.
Dyer, Sarah	6	Grade 1 p. t.	University of Maine	B.A.
Fields, Patricia	3	Grade 5	New England College	B.A.
Floryan, Ray	1	Grade 5	Lyndon State College	B.S.
Gentili, Mary	0	Grade 2	Stonehill College	A.B.
Gregg, Cecilia	20	Grade 3	Plymouth State College	B.E.
Hackett, Marilyn	0	Art p. t.	Syracuse University	B.F.A.
Hall, Betty	16	Reading Consultant	Bridgewater State Coll.	M.E.
Hamilton, Joy	1	Grade 3	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.
Head, Nancy	6	Learning Disabilities	Boston University	A.B.
Hendershot, Darlene	3	Grade 6	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.
Hogan, Janet	0	Grade 4	Rivier College	B.A.
Kertesz, Laszlo	27	Music p. t.	Hungarian University	B.A.
Lathrop, Cynthia	9	Grade 4	Skidmore College	B.S.
Little, Linda	3	Grade 5	Principia College	B.A.
Mastejulia, JoAnn	3	Grade 6	Newark State College	B.A.
McAllister, Carl	4	Physical Education	Plymouth State College	B.E.
McEnnis, Shirley	4	Grade 1 p. t.	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.
McKeown, Teresita	6	Grade 2	Philippine Normal	B.S.
Nason, Julia	0	Remedial Reading	Univ. of Connecticut	M.A.
Nielsen, Elden	10	Music	Mankato State College	M.S.
Pena, Michael	6	Grade 6	Lyndon State College	B.S.
Perry, Marcia	19	Grade 4	Rhode Island College	B.E.
Pichette, Noella	9	French p. t.	Univ. of New Hampshire	B.A.
Sabins, Karen	1	Grade 2	Castleton State College	B.S.
Seavey, Laurence	8	Guidance Counselor	Univ. of Massachusetts	M. Ed.
Shaw, Elizabeth	19	Grade 6	Tufts University	B.A.
Shervanian, Ann	13	Speech Therapist	Boston University	B.S.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Exp.</i>	<i>Assignment</i>	<i>College</i>	<i>Degree</i>
Silverman, Audrey	7	Grade 2	Keene State College	B.E.
Sirois, Diane	4	Grade 4	Rivier College	B.A.
Sullivan, Catherine	30	Librarian	Univ. of New Hampshire	M. Ed.
Treadwell, Jean	2	Grade 6	Wellesley College	B.A.
Trudo, Christine	6	Readiness Room	Univ. of New Hampshire	M. Ed.
Tyrrell, JoAn	5	Art	Texas Western	B.A.
Walter, John	3	Grade 6	Keene State College	B.E.
Wheeler, Emma	16	Grade 5	Rivier College	M.E.
Wolfe, Mary	6	Grade 1	Our Lady of the Elms	B.A.
Zis, Cassandra	2	Grade 1	Rivier College	B.A.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Assignment</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Assignment</i>
Woods, Pauline	Nurse	Calvetti, Linda	Aide - Grade 2
Caulfield, Hope	Nurse, p. t.	Faneuf, Gladys	Aide - Grade 3
Frontiero, Nancy	Nurse Volunteer	Martin, Kay	Aide - Grade 1
Duval, Patricia	Secretary	Powers, Judith	Aide - Grade 4
Hart, Lucille	Secretary	Trevathan, Paula	Aide - Grade 6
Drygala, Alfred	Custodian	White, Marguerite	Aide - Grade 5
Palumbo, Nelson	Custodian	Young, Josephine,	Aide - Grade 1

## REPORT OF HEALTH SUPERVISION — 1971-72

Jan Tigchelaar, M.D., Examiner  
Pauline H. Woods, R.N., School Nurse

Total Number of Children Examined	307
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Tests:

Heaf	86
Mantoux	5
Chest X-ray	3

### Report of School Nurse

Vision Tests	1,051
Hearing Tests	651
Inspections (Heads)	910
Heights	985
Weights	985
First Aid	3,263

### Vaccinations and Communicable Diseases

German Measles	2
Chicken Pox	130
Measles	73
Whooping Cough	1
Mumps	8
Strep	36

The following defects, treatments and corrections were reported:

### Defects Found by Medical Examination

	Defects	Treatments
Eyes	3	3
Ears	2	2
Teeth	4	4
Lungs	1	1
Heart	5	5
Abdomen	3	3
Orthopedic	3	3
Other	4	4

### Defects Found by School Nurse

	Defects	Treatments
Vision	48	48
Hearing	15	15
Scalp	15	15

Parents were informed of all the above cases.

Pre-School Clinic – April 3 & 4, 1972

Number of home visits - contacts by school nurse

Transportation - 125

## SYNOPSIS OF AMHERST SCHOOL MEETING March 3, 1972

The annual meeting of the School District of Amherst at the Wilkins School was called to order at 8:12 p. m. by the Moderator, Mr. Creeley Buchanan. Rev. Arnold Johnson offered a prayer, and Rep. Kenneth Spalding led the pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Buchanan read the warrant for the voting on March 7th and the call for the district meeting. With the consent of the voters, he dispensed with the reading of the entire warrant.

Article 1. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officer or agent of the district. Mr. Stearns moved that this article be passed over and acted on with Article 12. Seconded. Motion carried.

Article 2. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto. Mr. Stearns moved that we accept all reports as printed in the school report. Seconded. Motion carried.

Article 3. To choose agents, auditors, and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant. Mr. Stearns moved that the town auditors serve as school auditors. Seconded. Motion passed.

Article 4. To see if the district will authorize the School Board to make application for and receive in the name of the district such advances, grants and aids, or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government or any state or private agency. Mr. Hare moved that the district authorize the School Board to make application for and receive in the name of the district such advances, grants and aids, or other funds for educational purposes as may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government or any other state or private agency. Seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. David Ransay moved that Article 12 be taken up after Article 5. Seconded. Motion carried.

Article 5. To see if the district will resolve: "That the Amherst School District desires to amend the Milford/Amherst AREA agreement, if legally feasible, to withdraw the seventh and eighth grades and incorporate the same into the Amherst School District." Mr. Dudley moved that the district adopt the following resolution: "That the Amherst School District desires to amend the Milford/Amherst AREA agreement, if legally feasible, to withdraw the seventh and eighth grades and incorporate the same into the Amherst School District."

Slides were presented showing the comparative costs for a 500-student elementary school with the 7th and 8th grades staying in

Milford; a 650-student middle school including the 7th and 8th grades; and a 900-student middle school. Operational costs and capital expenses were also compared. After about an hour of discussion and questions and answers, Mr. Whaland moved the question. Seconded and carried. Yes or No balloting by checklist, with the supervisors, Phyllis Hill, Audrey Spalding, and Hazel Henderson, assisted by Barbara Landry, lasted for about an hour. While the vote was counted, the meeting continued.

Article 12. To see what sums of money the district will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries for school district officials and agents, and for payment of the statutory obligations of the district.

The Ways and Means Committee suggested a budget decrease of \$60,000.00. Mrs. Puddington moved that the Series 100 be reduced by \$1,310.00. Seconded. Mr. Buchanan ruled that the meeting must vote on each line separately. The motion was lost. Mrs. Puddington moved that line item 135 be reduced by \$50.00. Seconded. Motion lost.

The vote on Article 5 was announced. Total ballots cast, 511; needed for a  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority, 342; "Yes," 244; "No," 267. Motion lost.

Mr. Dudley explained that the increase in line 210.1, teachers' salaries, changes the base pay from \$6,500.00 to \$6,850.00. Mr. Ramsay moved that the 210.1 line be decreased in the amount of \$20,000.00. Seconded. The vote was in doubt, so Mr. Buchanan asked for a standing vote. After counting the "Yes" vote at 134, it was obvious that there were many more standing for the "No" vote and the chair declared the motion lost.

Mr. Dudley explained that the increase in line 210.2 was to cover an additional 6th grade teacher, a guidance counselor and secretary, and a physical education teacher. Mr. David Hall of the Ways and Means Committee moved that line 210.2 be cut by \$28,000.00 less the \$5,500.00 for the additional 6th grade teacher. Seconded. The motion was lost.

Mr. Stearns reviewed the balance of series 200. Mr. Dudley moved that the budget be passed as printed, that the sum of \$1,523,666.28 be raised and appropriated for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries, for school district officials and agents, and for payment of the statutory obligations of the district. Seconded. Motion carried.

Article 6. To see if the district will resolve: "That the Amherst School District desires that an effort be made to engage the School District of Milford to join the School District of Amherst to form a Co-operative School District as an alternative to the AREA concept which presently exists and the Amherst School District should take whatever steps necessary to attempt to effectuate the foregoing." Mr. Stearns moved the above resolution. Seconded. Motion carried.

Article 7. To see if the district will raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00 for the purpose of a Milford/Amherst long range study; said study to be for a co-operative school district to be jointly financed with Milford. Mr. Hatcher moved the above warrant item. Seconded. Motion carried.

Article 8. To see if the School District will authorize and direct the Moderator to appoint a co-operative school district planning committee, said committee to consist of three qualified voters of whom at least one shall be a member of the School Board in accordance with the provisions of RSA 195:18. Mr. Leland Gray moved that the Moderator appoint a co-operative school district planning committee, as above. Seconded. Motion carried.

Article 9. To see what sum of money the School District will appropriate to meet the anticipated expenses of the co-operative school district planning committee, said expenses to include costs of publication and distribution of reports, in accordance with the provisions of RSA 195:18. Mr. Leland Gray moved that \$500.00 be appropriated to meet the anticipated expenses, said expenses to include the cost of publication and distribution of reports in accordance with the provisions of RSA 195:18. Seconded. Motion carried.

Article 10. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000.00 and authorize the School Board to employ an architect to prepare a set of working drawings for competitive bid for the contemplative construction of a school and to employ and pay expenses for a clerk of the works to act as the representative of the School Board and Building Committee in planning and supervising the construction.

Mr. Hare moved the above warrant item. Mr. Dudley amended the article to add "to direct the Moderator to appoint a Building Committee of 7 to 9 people at the appropriate time." Seconded. Motion carried.

Article 11. To see if the district will vote to approve the expenditure of \$2,295.00 (bid price) to improve the acoustics in the auditorium, said funds to be expended from existing balances in the Wilkins School Building accounts. Mr. Dudley moved the above warrant item. Seconded. Motion carried.

Article 13. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting. Mrs. Antonelli moved that next year anyone attending the annual school meeting should be admitted by check list. Seconded. The motion was amended to add that those not presently on the check list would be allowed to sit in a designated area. Seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. G. W. Brown moved adjournment. Seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:50 p. m.

LOUISE AINSWORTH, Clerk

## ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING

### March 7, 1972

Acting under the warrant for the annual school meeting, polls opened at 8 a. m. and closed at 7 p. m. Moderator M. Wight, Jr.; town clerk Bernice G. Boothroyd, and school clerk Louise Ainsworth had charge of the voting. Mr. Creeley Buchanan was elected moderator for the coming year. Louise Ainsworth was elected clerk. Paul Dudley, Jr. was elected as a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years. Louise Ainsworth was elected treasurer for the coming year.

## SYNOPSIS OF SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETING

### May 3, 1972

A special district meeting of the School District of Amherst in the Wilkins School was called to order at 8:20 p. m. by the Moderator, Creeley Buchanan. The prayer of invocation was offered by Rev. Johnson, followed by the pledge of allegiance. A brochure was distributed to all in attendance.

The warrant was read by Moderator Buchanan.

Mr. Dudley moved that the following resolution be adopted: "That the Amherst School District desires to amend the Milford/Amherst AREA agreement, if legally feasible, to withdraw the seventh and eighth grades and incorporate the same into the Amherst School District." Seconded.

Mr. Dudley then presented introductory remarks mentioning the petition signed by over 100 residents of Amherst for reconsideration due to the lack of positive action on the part of Milford when they voted against a study of a co-operative plan. He stated that the School Board is unanimously in favor of withdrawal of grades 7 and 8, and believes it would be in Amherst's best interests.

Mr. Peter Dunlap reviewed the work of the School Study Committee resulting in their recommendation that the Board consider withdrawal.

Milford's position was stated as follows: They would not consider a co-operative plan; they would consider withdrawal of grades 7 and 8 if Amherst would pay the full debt share on the Junior High School; they preferred the existing agreement with an expansion of the Junior High School.

Mr. Stearns reviewed the discussions with the Milford School Board since March 1972. He urged Milford to approve a co-operative study committee and funds for a long range study in conjunction with Amherst. He met with the Board, the Milford Study Committee, and the Milford Building Committee to present questions of concern. All

answers were discouraging. Mr. Stearns made suggestions for positive action. Milford stated that they will petition for a 150-pupil addition (650-pupil capacity) including some classrooms and core facilities.

Mr. Collins discussed the Middle School, explaining the change in educational philosophy.

Mr. Dudley explained that in February of 1972 a new bill, No. 54, was enacted which modifies the AREA plan through an agreement of the towns involved, and increases the borrowing power to 10% of the equalized evaluation.

Mr. Drescher explained the legal and historical background of the AREA plan from 1964 to 1971.

Mr. Hare presented a film showing projections of future growth from the advisory committee. Mr. Dudley presented the financial situation.

Mr. Buchanan opened the meeting for questions. The following points were clarified. Although we might be morally right, if Amherst voted to withdraw and Milford refused, it would not be advisable to sue. If Milford voted a 650-student school, we would still be in a bond issue for another 20 years. A 45-15 plan is only a stopgap and more expensive to operate than building a new school.

Mr. G. W. Brown moved the question. The polls were opened at 9:55 p. m. with the ballot clerks, Mr. Heaton, Mr. Wight, Mr. Spalding, Mr. Burns, Mr. Brown, and Mr. Whaland. The polls closed at 10:08 p. m. The total vote was 416; needed for a  $\frac{2}{3}$  vote as a directive, 278; "Yes," 301; "No," 115. The resolution was adopted. Mr. Hare moved to adjourn at 10:20 p. m. Seconded. Meeting adjourned.

## **SYNOPSIS OF SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETING** **November 17, 1972**

A special district meeting of the School District of Amherst in the Wilkins School was called to order at 8:05 p. m. by Moderator Buchanan, who read the warrant. It was explained that because of the new ruling by the General Court, voting on bond issues requires that polls be open for two hours; that discussion would run to approximately 9:00 p. m.

Mr. Dudley moved that the sum of \$2,008,125.00 be appropriated for constructing and originally equipping and furnishing an elementary school with gymnasium, to accommodate 500 students, that in order to raise this amount the School Board is authorized to borrow \$2,008,125.00 under the Municipal Finance Act and that the School Board is authorized to take all other action necessary to carry out the project. Seconded by Mr. Lown.

Mr. Dudley announced that Article 3 would not be brought up since the request was turned down by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Mr. Buchanan ruled that if Article 1 failed, the meeting would be recessed, possibly to Nov. 24.

Mr. John Kelly, chairman of the Building Committee, introduced the members of the committee, and Mr. Dudley introduced the architect, soil engineer, superintendent, principal, assistant principal, selectmen, and School Board.

Mr. Dudley reviewed events leading up to this meeting. The Building Committee had decided on a 500-student school which could be expanded or converted to a middle school. The building is two stories high in the classroom area, with short corridors. There would be 2 science rooms, 1 art and 1 music room, and 20 triangular classrooms, which provide a natural seating pattern for audio-visual work.

Of the \$35,000.00 appropriated on March 3rd, \$23,246.00 has been spent for soil tests, design concepts, floor plans, construction estimates, etc.

Three points were clarified by Mr. Dudley. Architectural fees are set by the state (N.H. Standard of AIA). Neither the state nor school districts own plans, and any used would have to be paid for. State aid is given only if the architect is registered in the State of New Hampshire. The warrant gives a choice: Article 1 with a gym, Article 2 without.

The school plan was described as a flexible plan with some movable partitions, which can be opened or closed. An addition would include classroom clusters for science, home economics, music, and industrial arts. Operating costs would be \$154,741.00 which represents an increase of \$3.29 on the tax rate. The projected opening would be spring of 1974, with September 1974 as the latest date, with an enrollment of 400 students in grades 1-6.

Mr. Dudley noted that Milford plans to bring the issue of expanding the Junior High School before the voters of Milford before March. A letter was read from Mr. Mistrangello, chairman of the Milford School Board, clarifying their position.

The meeting was opened for discussion. Mr. Lown of the Ways and Means Committee announced that they recommended a "Yes" vote on Article 1, recommending construction of an elementary school with gymnasium, noting the continuing and rapid rise of construction costs.

Mrs. Blakeman stated that the Amherst Recreation Committee urges a vote for the new school with the gym for expansion of their programs.

Mrs. Paul Woods spoke against the school, and noted the possibility of double sessions. Mr. Paul Backus questioned related costs. He asked about increased costs of widening the bridge, new access

roads, etc., and what the total effect on the tax rate would be. Mr. Dudley replied than an access road is not planned at this time. Replacement of the bridge was estimated at \$200,000.00 in 1971. Mr. Jack Freeman, chairman of the long range school study committee, noted that the towns of Amherst, Milford and Mont Vernon are working together to look at the schools for 3-10 years in the future. He noted also that the year-round school is a temporary solution, just delaying the problem for a year or two.

Mr. Whaland moved the question. The polls were opened at 9:00 p. m. and remained open until 11:00 p. m. Voting was by check list and ballot, with clerks Marion Sortevik, Mary Backus, Evelyn Dudley, Nancy Adair, and Lorna McManus. Assisting were Mr. G. W. Brown, Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Dunlap, Mr. Whaland, Mr. Spalding. Supervisors Robert Wishart, Hazel Henderson and Audrey Spalding were in attendance. Total votes cast were 683. Needed to pass, 456; "Yes," 480; "No," 202; 1 abstention. The motion carried. Mr. Brown moved to adjourn. Seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:12 p. m.



